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Port Almanac—December 24.

Sun Rises	7.08 A M
Sun Sets	4.50 P M
Day's Length	9 h 40 m
High Water at Southport	1.48 A M
High Water at Wilmington	3.30 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 24.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 42°; 8 p. m., 57°; maximum, 67°; minimum, 42°; mean 54°.

Rainfall for the day .12; rainfall for the month up to date, .72

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina and South Carolina, generally fair; light southerly winds.

Fair and slightly warmer is indicated for the South Atlantic and partly cloudy weather in the Middle and North Atlantic States. Conditions remain somewhat unsettled in the central Mississippi valleys, and occasional showers are indicated in these districts and the Lake regions. Fair weather will prevail west of the Mississippi, with slightly higher temperature.

OUTLINES

The House of Representatives will not take a recess until some measure of financial relief has been considered by it; a resolution was introduced appropriating $1,500,000 to purchase a reserve supply of projectiles for the navy. —— A tramp, with the aid of mucilage and a hot iron, obliterates the mark of cancellation on a State bond coupon and passes it on the State Treasurer. —— The Seaboard Air Line has given notice of its intended withdrawal from the Southern States Freight Association. —— The Ways and Means Committee engaged in preparing a measure of relief for the Treasury Department; amendments to the tariff proposed which it is estimated will increase revenues $40,000,000 annually. —— No issue of bonds is anticipated at the Treasury Department. —— The Board of Aldermen of New York city and the Chicago Board of Trade endorsed President Cleveland's message on the Venezuela boundary dispute. —— The Venezuelan boundary commission will probably be announced the latter part of this week or the first of next. —— The Governor has offered a reward for James Payne, who murdered Mrs. Sarah Anderson in Madison county, N. C. —— The Memphis Cotton Exchange has inaugurated a movement looking to no increase of the cotton acreage next year. —— A meeting of the bondholders of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad was held in Baltimore, but no agreement was reached; the matter will be taken to the courts. —— New York markets: Money on call was active at 3@75 per cent. with last loan at 2 per cent; cotton quiet—middling gulf 8¼c; middling 8¼c; Southern flour was dull and easy—common to fair extra $2.10@2.80; good to choice $2.90@3 00; wheat—spot fairly active and firmer; No. 2 red in store and at elevator 68c; afloat 69¼c; corn dull and firm—No. 2 at elevator 88⅝@88¾c; afloat 84⅝@85c; spirits turpentine quiet and firm 39@39½c; rosin dull but steady—strained common to good $1.70@1.75.

St. Louis is getting ready for the Republican national convention. She is building some more breweries.

Up to the beginning of this month the number of immigrants arrived in this country exceeded the number for the corresponding period of last year by 70,000.

A speaker at a Boston temperance meeting recently told of a drummer who said he had travelled 6,000 miles, had been asked that many times to take a drink, but had never been once asked to go to church. The people he mixed with evidently knew what most struck his fancy.

The farmers of one Michigan county, not profiting by the experience of others, waged an exterminating war against the English sparrow and discovered that instead of exterminating them they increased and multiplied. There is no bird in this world more perverse than the sparrow which persists in increasing and multiplying no matter how much it may be exterminated.

Some of the English papers claim that the real author of the Monroe doctrine was Mr. Canning, not Mr. Monroe. If it be English they ought to take more kindly to it and not show such a disposition to go back on it. With Englishmen the doctrine, whether it originated with Canning or Monroe, was all right as long as it didn't interfere with England's land-grabbing propensities.

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THE MORNING STAR, THE OLDEST DAILY NEWSPAPER IN NORTH CAROLINA.

The Only Six-Dollar Daily of its Class in the State.

In looking over the more important House Committees, as appointed by Speaker Reed, we find the following assignments from North Carolina: Postoffices and Post Roads, Thomas Settle; Elections, (No. 1) R. Z. Linney; Military Affairs, James A. Lockhart; Agriculture, A. C. Shuford; Levees on the Mississippi, F. A. Woodward; Committee on Labor, W. F. Stroud; Reform in the Civil Service, J. A. Lockhart; Expenditures on Public Buildings, Thomas Settle, chairman. There are other committees not yet published, to which there are probably some assignments from this State.

Harry Hayward, who was hanged in Minneapolis, Minn., for the murder of Kate Ging, promised to have rivalled Holmes if he had lived. According to his own confession he killed a Chinaman in San Francisco in 1893 in a gambling dispute, a little later he murdered a girl for $5 0 which she had, and later shot a young man who died from the effects of the wounds received. He was never suspected of any of the crimes committed before that which cost him his life.

Perhaps Uncle Sam's kick against J. Bull's boundary stretching in Venezuela may check him somewhat in twisting the Alaska boundary so as to embrace the gold fields in that territory.

Wm. Burbank, of Thompsonville, Conn., was cut off at the premature age of 83 by an injury received while coasting down a hill with other boys.

Paderewski is a p. p. He not only paws ivory but plays poker.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

F. RICHTER—Xmas brew.
NOTICE—Commissioner's sale.
JOHNSON & FORE—Fancy goods.
H R SOCIAL CLUB——Old Years' ball
W E SPRINGER & CO—The Chicago.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

C H PEASE—Photographs.
FRENCH CAFE—Holiday drinks.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Local forecast: Fair; warmer Tuesday; light variable winds.

— An alarm of fire that proved to be false was turned in last night about 10 o'clock from box No. 31.

— Rev. R. A. Willis, the new pastor, is expected to conduct the services at Grace Church next Sunday.

— Christmas Day is one of the STAR's three annual holidays. Therefore, there will be no paper issued from this office Thursday morning.

— A tandem-wheel ridden by two young men yesterday on North Front street, came in collision with a carriage. The tandem was broken, but both young men escaped injury.

— Old newspapers may be had at the STAR office for 15 cents per hundred or $1.25 per thousand. They are suitable for wrapping paper and add much to the durability of carpets when placed under them.

— Little Earle Webb, a member of the First Baptist Sunday School, was climbing a fence near that church Sunday afternoon last, when a ring on one of his fingers caught on a paling and was torn off, badly lacerating the finger.

— The Benevolent Society desires to thank Messrs. S. & W. H. Northrop for four loads of blocks, Dr. A. J. DeRosset for a clock, Rt. Rev. Bishop Watson for $5.00, Miss Julia Burr, of Clinton, Conn., for a piano, and Messrs. Stevenson & Taylor for removing piano, thereby saving quite an expense.

— Mr. Jno. H. Stout, one of the workmen putting up poles for the Inter-State Telephone Co., was severely bruised on the right arm and leg yesterday. While assisting in raising a pole on North Front street, he slipped and fell, the pole falling upon him. He was carried into Mr. Nutt's drug store, where he received the necessary attention and was then taken to his home.

His Throat Cut.

A fight took place Saturday night near the depot at Wrightsville Sound between two negroes—Jas. Lewis Nixon and William Furguson. It was the result of a game of cards, and in the fight Nixon had his throat cut from ear to ear. Dr. A. H. Harriss, County Superintendent of Health, went down Sunday morning and dressed the wound. It is thought that Nixon will recover. Furguson who did the cutting lives near Middle Sound. He made his escape in that direction and has not been heard of since. Warrants have been issued for his arrest.

Buy No Others.

All persons are hereby cautioned against buying copies of the STAR offered for sale on the streets unless, in every case, the words "For Transient Sale', are stamped on the margin of the paper. Should any newsboy or carrier offer for sale a copy of the STAR not so stamped he should be promptly reported at this office.

Encyclopedia Britannica.

The STAR Britannica Department is still filling orders for the Encyclopedia Britannica. This is the latest and best edition of this great work. Issued in 25 volumes, bound in cloth or sheep. For full particulars read announcement on third page, or inquire at the STAR office

For Christmas presents go to Burke's jewelry store, South Front next to Market street. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. George Elliott has returned from Harvard College.

— Mr. A. E. Carter left yesterday for Fayetteville on a visit.

— Miss Laura Weeks, of Southport, was in the city yesterday.

— Mrs. Geo. Thompson, of Castle Hayne, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. L. V. Bassett, of Rocky Mount, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Frank Hall, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is stopping at the The Purcell.

— Mr. W. J. Elwell, of Armour, was in the city yesterday visiting his brother.

— Mr. D. S. Alderman, of Purcepolis, N. C., is in the city, a guest of The Purcell.

— Dr. Roger S. Turlington, of Bennettsville, S. C., is in the city visiting relatives.

— Mr. H. T. Bauman, agent A. C. L at South Rocky Mount, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. La Fayette King, of Onslow county, was a visitor at the STAR office yesterday.

— Mr. J. E. Anderson, agent for the A. C. L. at Mayesville, S. C., was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Don A. Gilbert, of Bainbridge, New York, is in the city, registered at The Purcell.

— Mr. Lewis H. Meares, formerly of this city, but now of Florence, S. C., is in the city on a visit.

— Mr. G. Kirby Collier, who has been attending St. John's College Annapolis, Md., has returned home.

— Messrs. A. B. Belden, Fred. Pearsall, Marsden Bellamy, Jr., and W. J. Bellamy, are home from Chapel Hill.

— Mr. Wm. E. McClannahan, a registered pharmacist of Raleigh, has accepted a position with J. Hicks Bunting.

— Dr. R. D. Dickson, of Laurinburg, arrived in the city yesterday, and is staying with Mr. M. Crouly, No. 215 South Third street.

— Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Monroe, of Savannah, arrived in the city yesterday and will spend the holidays with Mr. Monroe's parents.

— Mrs. George Cherry and baby, of Rocky Mount, are in the city to spend Christmas with Mrs. Cherry's parents, Prof. and Mrs. Van Laer.

— Mrs. Florence R. Faucett and Master Willie D. Faucett, of Halifax, N. C., are in the city to spend the Christmas holidays with friends.

— Mr. John Hanselman, of the Wilmington Iron Works, left Saturday evening for Mason, N. C., to spend Christmas with his parents.

— Mr. D. J. Stokes, of South Washington, was a STAR visitor yesterday. He reports partridges quite numerous in his neighborhood.

— Messrs. Walker Newton, D. I. Watson, Southport; J. A. Bolich, Salisbury; T. B. Greer, N. C., were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— John H. Walker, colored, son of Alderman Andrew J. Walker, returned yesterday from the A. & M. College at Greensboro to spend Christmas

— Miss Marie Murchison, of New York, is staying with Mr. James Sprunt, South Front street. After the holidays she will join her father, Col. K. M. Murchison, at Orton plantation.

— Mr. J. G. Charles, of the Tarboro *Southerner*, one of the most popular editors of the State, was a STAR visitor last evening. He leaves for Point Caswell to-day to spend Christmas with relatives.

— Messrs. B. M. Chiswell and T. C. Billard, of the *Colfax*, who have been here for several months past, left yesterday for Laurel, Md., having been detached to the schooleship *Chase*. They made numerous friends while here who hope they may return in the near future.

— The arrivals in the city yesterday were Messrs. A D Perkins, Charlotte; C B Aycock, Goldsboro; R Dawsey, New York; H W Hood, W H Pyke, Southport; L H Lyon and wife, Tarboro; J H Rothiemes, Plant System; C G Bochman, Geo Bochman, Charleston; Samuel Street, Newark; Wm Rapaljo, Wm Mayie, Jno H Ireland, Brooklyn; R M Snow, Beach; S Bryan, Atlanta; C G Smith, North Carolina; H S Parmele, J C Lilly, W L DeBass, New York; C L Banner, Mount Airy.

Dr. Willits' Lecture.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew deserve congratulations upon the success of the first of their series of lectures at the Y. M. C. A. A large and cultivated audience last night greeted the lecturer, Rev. A. M. Willits, D. D., and the close attention and hearty rounds of applause showed that they had caught the spirit of the lecture; that they were then "enjoying life" to the uttermost and were evidently intent on storing up a supply of "sunshine" for future use. Too much cannot be said in praise of the Doctor's inimitable manner and original humor, and it is hoped that the Brotherhood may be happy in persuading him to favor them again in the near future.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers, who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Burke's is the cheapest place in the city for jewelry for Christmas presents. †

FALSE IMPRISONMENT.

The Case Against Chief of Police Melton and Sergeant Sheehan—Sent Up to the Superior Court for Trial.

Chief of Police Jno. R. Melton and Wm. Sheehan, sergeant of the police, were arraigned before Justice Bunting yesterday morning upon warrants sworn out by Mr. Robt. Daniels charging Melton and Sheehan with false imprisonment. City Attorney David B. Sutton and E. K. Bryant, Esq., appeared for the defence and Attorney Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., for the plaintiff, Mr. Robt. Daniels.

The first witness called was Mr. G. Ziegler, father-in-law of the plaintiff Daniels. Mr. Ziegler testified as follows: "On last Thursday night, the 19th inst., between the hours of ten and eleven o'clock, I heard a knock at the front door of my residence. I had retired at the time. I went to the door and found officer Henry Tiegen, of the police force, at the door and Sergeant Sheehan at the fence. Mr. Tiegen asked me if Bob Daniels was in. I told him that I would see. I went to Mr. Daniels' room door and knocked. His wife (my daughter) asked who it was. I told her and asked her had Bob come in yet. She told me that he had. I then told her that there was a gentleman at the door who wished to see him. Bob came out and went to the door. I followed close behind. Sergeant Sheehan said "Bob, I want you to go down to the City Hall with me." Bob asked him what for? Mr. Sheehan said that the Chief had told him to arrest Bob. I asked Mr. Sheehan had he a warrant. He told me that he had not. I then asked him what was the charge. He said he did not know. I told Bob if I was he I wouldn't go. Bob went and I went with him. When we reached the City Hall Mr. Daniels was placed in the guard house. I went prepared to give bond, but they told me I would have to see the Chief. I went out to Chief of Police Melton's house and asked him to let me give bond for Bob, but was refused.

The testimony of the other witnesses corroborated that of Mr. Zeigler.

Chief Melton said he had received a telegram from South Carolina on the 19th of December, asking for the arrest of Bob Daniels. He inquired around and found that Daniels had been in South Carolina, and he had him arrested. He had told Mr. Bellamy that the City Attorney had advised him not to take bond.

After argument by counsel, Justice Bunting gave notice that he would reserve his decision in the case until five o'clock, and at that hour the parties interested being present he adjudged that the defendants were guilty and took their personal recognizance for their appearance at the next term of the Superior Court to be convened in this city January 20th, 1896.

Christmas at the Postoffice.

Postmaster Morton has made arrangements for the accommodation of the public during the holidays by opening two windows in the postoffice for the sale of stamps and for the purpose of weighing the numerous Christmas packages to be sent through the mails. Boxes for the reception of packages have been placed at Fourth street bridge and corner of Front and Market streets, and similar boxes will be placed at other points in the city.

Christmas is a legal holiday, but the general delivery and the registry department will be open to-morrow from 8 to 10 a. m., to accommodate those receiving Christmas packages, and the carriers will make a forenoon delivery. The mails, of course, will be made up and dispatched as usual, and there will be a force working on the inside of the office all day who will gladly accommodate the public in any way possible.

The Stowaway—Christmas Night and Afternoon.

There are some theatrical attractions that are not affected in the least degree by the shifting public taste. One of these is "The Stowaway," that standard English drama which has done a uniformly large business for the past six seasons. Whether the fad of the hour has been society comedies or serpentine dances, "The Stowaway" has drawn crowds of unvarying magnitude and enthusiasm. The managers have equipped it handsomely this year and an exceptionally strong company appears in it. "Spike" Hennessey and "Kid" McCoy are still the safe breakers of "The Stowaway," and in the company are talented actors and actresses. Special Christmas matinee. Night prices as usual. Matinee prices 25 and 50 cents.

City Court.

In the City Court, Mayor Harris presiding, cases were tried yesterday as follows:

Alex. Harper, colored, charged with disorderly conduct and carrying a concealed weapon, was adjudged guilty and in default of bond in the sum of $100 was committed to jail for trial at the Criminal Court.

Calvin Marable was found guilty of obstructing a sidewalk with a wheelbarrow, but judgment was suspended.

Barber Shop Robbed.

The barber shop of Mr. Arthur Prempert, on South Front street, was entered by a thief or thieves early Sunday morning last and a small safe containing some fifteen or twenty dollars in money rifled of its contents. The place was entered through a rear window, which was broken open.

Freshet in the Cape Fear.

The heavy rains of last week in the interior of this State have caused a very decided rise in the Cape Fear river during the last ten days. The stage of water at Fayetteville at 8 a. m. yesterday was 18 5 feet, a rise of 14 5 feet since last report.

Before purchasing jewelry for presents get Burke's prices, South Front next to Market street. †

WILMINGTON AND ITS TERRITORY.

Mr. Thos. D. Meares' Article in Salmagundi.

The last number of *Salmagundi*, the handsome publication issued by the Seaboard Air Line, contains among other interesting articles a paper upon Wilmington and its manifold advantages, prepared by Mr. Thos. D. Meares, of this city, general agent of the S. A. L. The fine climate and healthfulness of the city and section are shown, the kindly and hospitable character and disposition of the people; its churches and public and private schools. The advantages of Wilmington as a port are shown with its commercial standing, especial mention being made of its large export trade, its lumber mills, factories etc.; its railroads, giving speedy access to the entire State of South Carolina, to the greater part of Georgia, to the whole of North Carolina and to Virginia, and to the North and West. The adaption of this section to truck farming, for fruit cultivation, for stock raising and for poultry are elaborately set forth and sustained by statements of actual results secured from resident farmers. The oyster and fish industries are pointed out as a source of unending revenue, the demand keeping pace with production and the increasing opportunities for reaching other markets constantly increasing the area of sales.

The article is carefully written and will no doubt do much to attract the attention of home-seekers from the North and West to this part of the State.

Sudden Death of Mr. A. L. Gardner.

Mr. A. L. Gardner, foreman of the A. C. L. paint shops at Florence, S. C., died suddenly at that place Sunday morning last in the 42d year of his age, after an illness of only two or three days.

Mr. Gardner leaves a wife and two daughters. He was well known and highly esteemed in Wilmington where he resided up to the time of his removal to Florence, some fifteen years ago. His mother, two sisters and a brother, Mr. Robt. Gardner, all live in this city, and the intelligence of his death was a great shock to them, as it was not known that Mr. Gardner was seriously sick.

Death of an Old Citizen.

Mr. Richard A. Price, died Sunday afternoon last at his home on South Front street, of paralysis, in the 76th year of his age. He was a native of Boston, Mass., but had been a citizen of Wilmington for fifty-three years, and for twenty-nine years kept a grocery store at the corner of Front and Queen streets. His wife died eight years ago and his only surviving child is Mrs. Addie P. McClammy, wife of Mr. C. W. McClammy of this city.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at half past 3 o'clock from the residence on South Front street. Interment in Oakdale Cemetery.

Missionaries.

Mr. Robt. L. Truesdale, who is being educated at Wofford College, S. C., for the ministry and as a missionary, by the Home Missionary Society of Grace Methodist Church, and who is spending the Christmas holidays with friends in this city, very acceptably conducted services at Grace M. E. Church Sunday morning and at Market street Church at night.

Another society of Grace Church educated another young man who has been actively and successfully engaged in the ministry for two or three years past.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—307 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 48 bbls rosin, 32 bbls tar, 6 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—473 bales cotton, 20 casks spirits turpentine, 81 bbls rosin, 62 bbls tar, 32 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—24 bales cotton, 30 casks spirits turpentine, 30 bbls rosin.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—1 bale cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 104 bbls rosin, 281 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 804 bales; spirits turpentine, 65 casks; rosin, 363 bbls; tar, 375 bbls; crude turpentine, 38 bbls.

THE POSITION OF COTTON.

If War Is Considered Probable It Should Cause an Advance Instead of a Decline.

The effort to bear the price of cotton on the strength of possible war with England, says the Augusta *Chronicle*, is very illogical. There ought to be a scramble for cotton if there is any danger of trade relations between England and the United States being interrupted. The English mills must have raw material to enable them to run, and if there is any danger of their source of supply being cut off, it is the most natural thing in the world that they should make an effort to load up as heavily as possible before the blockade comes. That would cause a rise in cotton instead of a fall, and if the war scare is to have any effect upon the cotton movement it should be bullish instead of bearish. The Columbia (S. C.) *State* of Thursday made the following comment along this line:

"Our Southern farmers have not much to fear from a war with England. If it shall appear inevitable. English manufacturers will bid high for cotton to stock themselves in preparation for a period of non-intercourse, and if the South holds on to what it still has it will receive rich remuneration. If war should still impend at planting time, the planting of a small cotton crop would insure high prices; and the South could with great advantage turn to other crops. A war would create an immense demand for breadstuffs and meats, and there would be much money in both. If our farmers have sense they will turn this threatened evil to their great advantage.

We see that C. E. Gordon, corner Front and Market streets, received 100 dozen white embroidered ladies' handkerchiefs by express yesterday, which he is selling at a sacrifice; bought for Christmas trade only; must be sold before Christmas. †

CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

General Orders Issued by the Major General Commanding the North Carolina Division U. C. V.

HEADQUARTERS N. C. DIVISION UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 21, 1895.

General Orders No. 6.

The General commanding has announced that the next annual reunion of our Association will be held at Richmond, Va., on the 30th June and the 1st and 2d July, 1896. At this meeting will be determined a matter of the greatest interest not only to us but as well to the entire South—that is, whether we are to have a memorial hall for the perpetual preservation of all books, papers, maps, magazines, manuscripts and records containing the entire material for a true history of the Confederate Government in every department, of every Southern State, of every command in the Southern army, paintings, pictures and statuary of Confederate officers and soldiers, relics and mementoes, and as far as possible narratives of the heroic deeds of the men of the South and the glorious works of her daughters.

The idea of such a Memorial Hall or Battle Abbey, as it is proposed to call it, was conceived by Comrade Charles Broadway Rouss, a gallant soldier of the Army of Northern Virginia, who presented a plan for its accomplishment before our Association at the Houston Reunion, and at the time generously subscribed $100,000 towards the building on condition that our Association raise a like amount. The number of camps in our Association now reaches 721, with a total membership of over fifty thousand. It is confidently believed that these camps can and will raise among their numbers the sum of $50,000, and that the other $50,000 will be raised by the women of the South. The General commanding has, by request, set apart Friday, May 1st, 1896, as most suitable for a "Memorial Festival Day," to be dedicated by the women of the South to raising funds for this Battle Abbey. All the details and the work of these festivals are to be planned and carried out under the control and in accordance with the views of the women in their respective localities. And this charge is committed to them in the confident belief that they who were our inspired and devoted supporters during the late bitter contest will not fail us now in our effort to establish a suitable memorial to the unselfish heroism of our people. Every Confederate Veteran, whether a member of our organization or not, is urged to give them hearty support and willing assistance.

The commander of every camp in this division is expected and requested to lay this matter before his camp at an early day. A copy of the stirring address, made to the men and women of the South in behalf of the "memorial hall" by the general committee having that matter in charge, has been sent to the commander or adjutant of every camp. It is suggested that in every camp a committee be appointed to canvass every comrade in the camp and to secure a contribution, however small. It is earnestly desired that every comrade shall have a personal interest in our memorial building and his subscription though even a mite will be gladly received. The name of every one who subscribes $1.00 or more will be enrolled upon the scroll of the founders of "Battle Abbey" and he will be entitled to a certificate of membership to be handed down as an heirloom to his children and to his children's children.

The money raised by each camp or locality must be deposited in some safe bank to the order of the United Confederate Veterans for the use of the Confederate Memorial Association, to remain until called for by the proper authority. And in the meantime each camp or society will report the amount so collected to Col. R. C. Wood, General Manager of the Confederate Memorial Association, No. 44 Perdido street, New Orleans, La., in order that the total amount secured may be known.

Books of subscription can be obtained from Col. R. C. Wood upon application.

By order of Wm. L. DEROSSET, General Commanding.

JUNIUS DAVIS, Adjutant General and Chief of Staff.

[Papers throughout the State will confer a favor by copying above.]

HEADQUARTERS N. C. DIVISION, UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS, WILMINGTON, Dec. 21, 1895.

General Orders, No. 7.

The Major General Commanding hereby announces the following as his complete Staff: Junius Davis, Wilmington, Adjutant General and Chief of Staff, with rank of Colonel; James M. Ray, Asheville, Inspector General, with rank of Colonel; A. D. Cazaux, Wilmington, Chief Quartermaster, with rank of Colonel; Samuel H. Smith, Winston, Chief Commissary, with rank of Colonel; John Gray Bynum, Greensboro, Judge Advocate General, with rank of Colonel; Peter E. Hines, M. D., Raleigh, Surgeon General, with rank of Colonel; Rev. N. Harding, Washington, Chaplain, with rank of Lieutenant Colonel; Wm. R. Bond, Scotland Neck, Aide-de-Camp, with rank of Major; B. H. Cathey, Bryson City, Aide-de-Camp, with rank of Major. Wilson G. Lamb, Williamston, Aide-de-Camp, with rank of Major; Cicero R. Barker, Salisbury, Color Bearer, with rank of Captain.

By order of WM. L. DEROSSET, Major General Commanding.

JUNIUS DAVIS, Colonel and Chief of Staff.

Housekeepers who want servants are in the habit of supplying their needs from the STAR's want column. Are you looking for a situation? The STAR's want column will bring you the best results. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Grand Old Year's Ball

OF THE HOWARD RELIEF SOCIAL CLUB at Adrian Hall, Monday evening, December 30th, 1895. No Gentleman admitted without a Lady Ticket $1.00.

Committee—Wm. Koenig, H. T. Dula, M. Schnibben. dec 24 1t

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county made in the cause of Edward Dudley Cowan et al., vs. W. D. Cowan, W. T. Compton et al., pending before the Clerk of the said Superior Court, the undersigned will expose for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, on Monday, the 30th day of January, 1896, at 12 o'clock m., the following described tract of land situate in the county of New Hanover, to-wit:

Beginning at the southeast corner of the Poor House Tract on Smith's Creek and running thence along the East line of said tract North 45 deg. East 2,630 feet to a stone marked N. H. C., thence with said line North 45 deg. West 1,180 feet to a stone marked N. H. C., thence North 37 deg. 15 min. East 775 feet to the corner of Gartell's land, thence with said Gartell's line North 14 deg. East 688 feet to another of his corners, thence along the line of said tract North 76 deg. East 1,364 feet to a pine tree, marking the corners of Gartell's and Kerr's lines, thence with Kerr's line South 78 deg. East 1,940 feet to a stake, thence South 40¼ deg. East 1,716 feet to or near Smith's Creek, thence southwestwardly with the creek to the beginning, containing about 1,000 acres.

Terms of sale: One-third cash, balance on six and twelve months' credit, with interest from day of sale, secured by bond of purchaser and mortgage of the premises sold.

This 30th day of November, 1895.

E. K. BRYANT, Commissioner.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

JOHNSON & FORE

Are showing a beautiful selection of

FANCY GOODS,

SUITABLE FOR

Holiday Presents.

Nothing in the city begins to compare with the handsome display they are making.

Handkerchiefs

in Linen and Silk for Ladies and Gentlemen.

Silk Umbrellas

in beautiful fancy sticks in 26 and 28 inches.

Fancy Baskets, Japanese Screens.

100 dozen

KID GLOVES

just received, in the newest fall shades. Every pair warranted when fitted at the store.

LADIES' WRAPS

from $5.00 to $35.00, made in the most fashionable styles, and they are the best fitting garments on the market.

Many entirely new things in Bric-a-brac.

Complete stock of

Dry Goods

and Millinery.

Johnson & Fore,

No. 111 Market St.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

dec 24 tf

THE CHICAGO.

Just Try It, Which Is All We Ask

We do not claim to sell our goods so much less than others, but we do say that we can and will sell as low as any House that pays full value for their goods.

W. E. SPRINGER & CO.,

Purcell Building,

dec 24 tf Wilmington, N. C.

OPERA HOUSE,

Christmas Night and Special Christmas Matinee at 2.45 P. M.

The season's big sensation,

THE STOWAWAY,

With the famous New York Cast.

Two car loads of Scenery, Amazing mechanical effects.

Night prices 25, 50, 75c and $1.

Matinee prices 25 and 50 cents.

Box sheet open at Yates' on Tuesday morning.

dec 22 tf

Unavoidably Postponed

Until Tuesday Next, 24th Inst., at 12 M.,

when we will sell by auction, at our sales rooms 120 Princess street,

24 Shares Capital Stock Wilmington Gas Co.

18 Shares Capital Stock Wilmington Navassa Guano Co.

CRONLY & MORRIS, Auctioneers.

dec 22 2t

They Say

A "GREEN CHRISTMAS MAKES A FAT Graveyard."

Buy Your Medicines

FROM

JAMES D. NUTT,

THE DRUGGIST,

And you won't have to bother with any graveyards.

dec 22 tf

XMAS BREW.

WILL HAVE ON HAND TO-DAY, SPECIALLY for the holiday trade, a new and special brand of

Kyhauser Beer.

The best of all of the good Beer which has ever been placed on this market. For sale only during the holidays.

F. RICHTER.

dec 24 1t

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THREE WEEKS

LEFT FOR BRISK BUSINESS.

We have to crowd on steam during these three weeks; trade must move at a livelier pace. Goods must go and dollars must come even if prices are clipped to a point where profit vanishes. The Cloaks, the Dress Goods, the Silks, the Underwear, all share in the liberal reduction made to win you to the store now.

KATZ & POLVOGT,

Cash House.

No. 9 North Front St.

Very Interesting News

From the Cloak Room.

You have seen and admired the season's Jaunty Coats, in the tempting rough and smooth fabrics. Perhaps you have thought that it takes a goodly amount of cash to own one of those fetching garments. Wrong! Several hundred garments in just the cut and cloth that are most fashionable are here for you to choose from, at $10, $12, $15, $18 and $20. Also higher-priced ones if you are ready to pay more.

Dress Goods and Silks.

The general theory is that December is a slow month for Dress Goods and Silks on account of the attention Christmas purchasing is given by the public to fancy articles. We find that this is a fallacy. Our December business in DRESS GOODS and SILKS is larger than any other month. Why?

FIRST—

Because the public are learning to spend their money for sensible presents.

SECOND—

From the fact of the great reductions made during this month, $20,000 in Dress Goods alone having suffered a cut of $5,000 commencing this week. The displays embrace all the new conceits of fashion.

Carpets, Rugs, Shades

—AND—

Lace Curtains.

The most complete line the State. 100 Kotlo Rugs worth $1, for 49c.

75 Smyrna Rugs worth 90c, for 59c.

100 Moquette $1.50 Rugs for 98c.

Attention paid to special Shade Measurement, and careful Carpet Fitting. All work guaranteed.

Katz & Polvogt,

No 9 North Front St.,

dec 15 tf

---63 1-2 Steps---

From the corner of Front and Princess streets will bring you to

Mercer & Evans'

Shoe Store,

where you can buy Shoes as cheap as the cheapest, and as good as the best.

Call there, buy a pair and get a copy of the Puzzle of the Day, and see how the "Gold Bugs" and the "Silver Bugs" will get across "Greenback River" together.

Respectfully,

Mercer & Evans,

H. C. Evans' Old Stand.

dec 21 tf

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, at $6 00 per year, $3 00 for six months, $1 50 for three months, 50 cents for one month, to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 12½ cents per week for any period from one week to one year.

ADVERTISING RATES (DAILY).—One square one day, $1 00; two days, $1 75; three days, $2 50; four days, $3 00; five days, $3 50; one week, $4 00; two weeks, $6 50; three weeks, $8 50; one month, $10 00; two months $17 00; three months, $24 00; six months, $40 00; twelve months, $60 00. Ten lines of solid Nonpareil type make one square.

THE WEEKLY STAR is published every Friday morning at $1 00 per year, 50 cents for six months, 25 cents for three months.

All announcements of Fairs, Festivals, Balls, Hops, Picnics, Society Meetings, Political Meetings, &c., will be charged regular advertising rates.

Notices under head of "City Items" 20 cents per line for first insertion, and 15 cents per line for each subsequent insertion.

Advertisements discontinued before the time contracted for has expired charged transient rates for time actually published.

No advertisements inserted in Local Columns at any price.

A announcements and recommendations of candidates for office, whether in the shape of communications or otherwise, will be charged as advertisements.

Payments for transient advertisements must be made in advance. Known parties, or strangers with proper reference, may pay monthly or quarterly, according to contract.

Remittances must be made by Check, Draft, Postal Money Order, Express or in Registered Letter. Only such remittances will be at the risk of the publisher.

Communications, unless they contain important news or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted, and if accepted will in every other way, they will invariably be rejected if the real name of the author is withheld.

Notices of Marriage or Death, Tributes of Respect Resolutions of Thanks, &c., are charged for as ordinary advertisements, but only half rates when paid for strictly in advance. At this rate 50 cents will pay for a simple announcement of Marriage or Death.

An extra charge will be made for double-column or triple-column advertisements.

Advertisements inserted once a week in Daily will be charged $1 00 per square for each insertion. Every other day, three-fourths of daily rate. Twice a week, two-thirds of daily rate.

Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge at transient rates.

Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent. extra.

Advertisements to follow reading matter, or to occupy any special place, will be charged extra according to the position desired.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 24, 1895

WHY SHOULD THIS BE?

The New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* is very vigorous in its condemnation of the President's message on the Venezuelan question, which it pronounces extremely unwise and altogether uncalled for. While it does not charge the President with being actuated by political motives in issuing it, and in taking the positive stand which he does take, it sees politics in the unanimity with which both Democrats and Republicans in Congress stand by him, each hastening to get in accord with what they construe as popular sentiment and each fearing to move deliberately and cautiously, lest the other gain some advantage, chances which they do not wish to take with a Presidential election approaching. There is, doubtless, some truth in this, although not so much as the paper to which we refer seems to think; but there is little doubt that popular sentiment has had much to do with the prompt support which the message has met with from Congress.

While the *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* is entitled to its opinion, and may be expected to take a whack at the politicians, and while it may in this express the sentiments of the moneyed interests for which it speaks, what else could the President do, or having done it what else could the Congress of the United States do but stand by him or show the white feather? This Government did what every one in this country who believes in the Monroe Doctrine believes it should have done when it showed an interest in the Venezuelan dispute, and having done so much it could have done no less than accept the logical consequences of that interest. It either had to assume the position of the protector of Venezuela, if Venezuela be in the right, or admit that it was merely acting an officious part, and asserting a doctrine which had in it no force or meaning. Considering the aggressiveness of England and her indisposition to concede the assumption of this country there was nothing left to do but to insist on arbitration, and that failing to ascertain for ourselves the line to which England is entitled to go, and having ascertained that to give her emphatic notice that she must go no further. That's all that the President proposes to do and that is all that Congress has so far resolved to do. If this has brought us any nearer war with Great Britain than we we were before, it is on account of John Bull's arrogance which resents being interfered with or called to task.

The only other thing that message has done is to interpret and define the Monroe Doctrine and in doing this the President has given it a logical definition and the only one that can make it amount to anything more than mere empty phraseology. With his definition it has some marrow in it and amounts to something. It gives notice not only to Great Britain but to all European nations that when territorial aggression in this hemisphere is attempted and there is no other way of ascertaining the line at which the aggression begins, this Government will proceed to dertermine the line for itself (if the aggressors refuse to co operate), govern itself accordingly and protect those whom the carrying out of the Monroe Doctrine obligates it to protect. That doctrine means something or it means nothing. On any other than the construction given it by the President and endorsed by the Congress of the United States and the people, it means nothing, and if it is not to be maintained on that construction it should be abandoned without ceremony as piece of empty pretence.

The Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin proceeds to give some reasons why the message should not have been written, and some of the actual and possible consequences resulting from the war fever and talk which it has evoked. It says it shouldn't have been written because we are financially in a very unsatisfactory and unsafe position, a fact of which the President was fully aware and so advised Congress when in his message he appealed to it to do something to put us on solid ground. The gold status is in peril, we will soon be compelled to borrow gold to protect it and to Europe we must look to borrow it.

That reason might amount to something with the people who believe in keeping up this unnecessary and unlawful gold reserve, but with others, who constitute a very large majority of the American people, it is a very strong argument for abolishing it. If to keep up the gold reserve we must depend on Europe and be very careful how we ruffle the hair of the animal on the other side, the sooner we dispense with the gold reserve the better. Discussing this view of the situation it says:

"The Treasury is close upon the necessity for borrowing at least another fifty millions to restore the Treasury gold reserve; and, with the present scarcity of gold in the metropolitan banks, it is of the first importance to the success of the loan that a good portion of it should be negotiated in London. That chance is already gone. Certainly, London will lend us nothing while we are deliberating war against England, and how far the opposite treatment is to be expected may be inferred from the fact that, within the last two days, London has sold American stocks on this market amounting at current value to about $6,000,000. These realizations will, to the same amount, increase our current exports of gold and diminish the Treasury reserve, and what further of such transactions might be expected, should this war furore be maintained, may be judged from the fact that Great Britain holds probably not less than $1,500,000,000 of our obligations; which, it is no use to conceal gives her the power to virtually bankrupt us at her pleasure. It is never prudent to quarrel violently with one's chief creditor."

Conceding this to be a warranted view of the situation, it might be asked, as we have asked at the head of this article, why should this be? Why should the Treasury of the United States be run on a policy which puts it completely in the power of a handful of gold kings to control it and make it virtually dependent upon them? According to the figuring of some statisticians this is the wealthiest country in the world, and yet it is dependent on England for money and therefore should be very careful how it give offence to England, which has "virtually the power to bankrupt us at her pleasure." She is now holding $1,500,000,000 of our obligations, on which we like idiots pay her interest and propose to pay her the principal in gold, when if ordinary business sense controlled our financial policies nearly every dollar of these obligations would be held at home and we would be as independent of England as France, with half our population but double our per capita circulation, is. We don't hear of Frenchmen going to England to borrow money, but we do sometimes hear of the Bank of England, when it gets in a tight place, calling on the Bank of France for help.

All the reasons now being given from a financial standpoint why we should not get into a tangle with England are so many reasons why we should cut loose from our stupid financial dependence on England and establish an American financial policy of our own. The sooner we resolve to do this the sooner we will cease to be her debtor and then, even according to the views of those who do not believe we can afford to do it now, we might talk "sassy" to her if there were occasion for it.

MINOR MENTION.

A cable dispatch quotes the London *Globe* as saying that "the financial kings of the Old World are firmly resolved that such a horror as a war between the United States and England shall not occur if they can help it and that they will not hesitate to employ any means to prevent it." One of the first means employed is to call on American houses for the immediate repayment of advances, accompanied by the intimation that all financial accommodation will be suspended while there is a menace of an appointment of a commission on the Venezuelan boundary question. This is what might be called financial bulldozing by which they hope to drive the money interest of this country to opposing the appointment of a commission. They propose to cool American ardor by pulling on the purse strings and striking the American pocket. This doesn't indicate a very high opinion of American national pride or patriotism, but t is their way of doing business and is in keeping with their methods. The fact is that neither the financial kings of the old world, which in this particular instance means the financial kings of England, nor the commercial kings of England, nor the statesmen of England desire war with this country, and are not going to have it if they can avoid it without humiliation and degradation. It was British arrogance which in the first stages of the controversy rejected the friendly overtures and bluntly rejected the demands which followed the overtures, but if on second thought this arrogance can find a way to recede from the position taken and avoid the consequences without seeming to be driven into the concession it will avail itself of it to secure an amicable settlement. Venezuela doesn't want war, for most of the fighting would be on her territory and at her ports, and she will naturally desire to escape this if she can without humiliation and too much loss of territory. This country doesn't desire war, for there is nothing at present to be gained by it but the vindication of a principle promulgated, by which it must stand. Where there are so many reasons for avoiding war and so few for rushing into it, it is reasonable to assume that a way will be found, if possible, for avoiding it, but the less bulldozing done by "the financial kings of the old world" or by others, the easier it will be to find that way.

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The Republican manipulators of the wires in Washington have hit upon a plan of "relief for the Treasury," which they know will not be adopted, and that is the reason they have agreed upon it. The plan contains four points—tariff amendments providing for a temporary increase of duties on certain imports; authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue three per cent bonds as a popular loan for redemption purposes, the greenbacks redeemed to be held in the Treasury and not reissued as now; to authorize national banks to issue notes to the face value of bonds deposited, and to reduce the tax on their circulation, and, finally, to authorize the issuing of certificates of indebtedness until the revenue be sufficient to meet expenses. This is very shrewdly planned and goes just far enough on the lines recommended by the President and by Secretary Carlisle to give it the appearance of eschewing partisanship, although it is essentially partisan. It authorizes the issuing of bonds to borrow gold to redeem the greenbacks, which are not to be reissued. This will be opposed by every Representative and Senater who doesn't believe that gold is and should be the only money of this country. It will be opposed by all others who object to retiring the greenbacks without making ample provision for their replacement with other currency. There is no chance for these contemplated changes in the tariff, for the opinion prevails and is growing stronger, that as a revenue raiser the Wilson bill is doing its work well, and the protectionists need not expect to temporarily re-instate McKinleyism under the pretence of raising revenue. There might not be much objection to authorizing the national banks to issue notes to the full par value of bonds deposited, but there will be to issuing certificates of indebtedness while refusing to open the mints to the coinage of silver. It may be noted that this plan carefully avoids reference in any form to silver.

Science made a ten strike when it produced artificial skin. Now people need no longer be asked to contribute patches of their cuticle to supply people who may find it necessary to have skin grafted on stripped parts. In Germany a skin is now produced by artificial process which answers all the purposes of natural skin, heals and adheres like it.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The Monroe Doctrine as it left the hands of President Monroe was soft and unmolded clay. President Cleveland has given it shape, and made a pressed brick of it.—*Phil. Record, Dem.*

—— President Crespo, of Venezuela, says "Thanks!" and the little Republic talks of raising 150,000 soldiers at once. That is three times as many as Great Britain can land there in her present position.—*New York Journal, Dem.*

—— President Crespo of Venezuela has a habit of summoning his ministers for consultation at daybreak. This practice emphasizes the impression that Lord Salisbury will have to get up very early to carry through his present enterprise.—*Washington Star, Ind.*

—— The idea of a man having the cold-blooded nerve to pause in the midst of international war talk to correct his adversary's grammar. Editor Dana seems to be more worried about Salisbury's grammar than his position on the Monroe Doctrine.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

HEART DISEASE, like many other ailments when they have taken hold of the system, never gets better of its own accord, but ***Constantly grows worse.*** There are thousands who know they have a defective heart, but will not admit the fact. They don't want their friends to worry, and ***Don't know what to take for it,*** as they have been told time and again that heart disease was incurable. Such was the case of Mr. Silas Farley of Dyesville, Ohio who writes June 19, 1894, as follows:

"I had heart disease for 23 years, my heart hurting me almost continually. The first 15 years I doctored all the time, trying several physicians and remedies, until my last doctor told me it was only a question of time as I could not be cured. I gradually grew worse, very weak, and completely discouraged, until I lived, propped half up in bed, because I ***couldn't lie down*** nor sit up. Thinking my time had come I told my family what I wanted done when I was gone. But on the first day of March on the recommendation of Mrs. Fannie Jones, of Anderson, Ind., I commenced taking ***Dr. Miles' New Cure for the Heart*** and wonderful to tell, in ten days I was working at light work and on March 19 commenced framing a barn, which is heavy work, and I have'nt lost a day since. I am 56 years old, 5 ft. 4½ inches and weigh 200lbs. ***I believe I am fully cured,*** and I am now only anxious that everyone shall know of your wonderful remedies."

Dyesville, Ohio. SILAS FARLEY.

Dr. Miles Heart Cure is sold on a positive guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. All druggists sell it at $1. 6 bottles for $5, or it will be sent, prepaid, on receipt of price by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure
Restores Health

No morphine or opium in Dr. Miles' Pain Pills. Cure All Pain. "One cent a dose."

Sold by all Druggists.
June 18 1y su tu th change.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Forest City *Ledger*: The largest ox we have ever seen passed through town Tuesday. He weighed 1414 pounds and was very poor poor. He stands nearly six feet high.

— Oxford *Ledger*: Hogs are dying with sore throat in our section. Mr. E. G. Morris lost eight that made 1,938 pounds of pork; four of them eight months old, the average was 242 pounds.

— Greenville *Reflector*: There was trouble between two negroes out in Carolina township a few days ago, that may cost one of them his life. One went to the house of the other on Sunday and appropriated a suit of clothes to use that day. He went back later and started to put the suit on again to wear it off. The other negro and his wife were both home then and the latter told him to let the clothes alone. He threw a brick at her, striking her in the face, when her husband picked up an axe and cracked the assailant's skull with it. The wounded man was still in a critical condition at last accounts.

— Lincolnton *Democrat*: We learn that the Handle Factory at Conover, N. C., has received an order for handles to be shipped to Honolulu, Sandwich Islands. The order is for 190 dozen handles, one-half axe handles and one-half pick handles. —— Several months ago the *Democrat* published an account of the mysterious disapperance of one O. H. Stillwell, who lived near Denver, this county. He had hired Killian and Beal's wagon to haul his cotton to Davidson College, near which place he was last seen. Mr. Killian now informs me that he found the wagon at Brown's cotton gin, in Mecklenburg county. Stillwell left the wagon there, saying some one would call for it later on in the day. Stillwell never came back, nor has he been heard from since.

— Louisburg *Times*: On last Friday night James Harris, son of James T. Harris of this county, was sitting in a room of his father's house about 7 o'clock, when he was shot from outside the house, the shot going through the window and striking him in the face and neck. The weapon used was evidently a shotgun and the shot were what is known as double B. The wounds were severe and very painful but it is thought that young Harris will recover. The party who did the shooting was not discovered, but on account of circumstances which were deemed suspicious, a warrant was issued against P. D. O'Bryant. with whom the Harrises had had serious trouble before and with whom they were on bad terms. A preliminary trial of O'Bryant was had at the Court House on last Monday before J. W. Pittman, Esq., who after hearing the argument of counsel discharged O'Bryant on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence produced at the trial to warrant him in binding him over to court. No further clue has yet been discovered.

TWINKLINGS.

— A Hard Part—He—I understand your part in the new play is very difficult.

She—Yes. I have to change my costume thirteen times.—*Brooklyn Life.*

— Natural Enough.—Maude—Did you ever notice how Algernon's face lights up when he talks?

George—Well! you know he's lanternjawed.—*Puck.*

— "Ocean steamships are like promissory notes," said Hicks. "You don't begin to worry about 'em until they're three days overdue."—*Harper's Bazar.*

— Uncle George—Did you see the eclipse of the moon the other night, Ethel?

Little Ethel—No; we sat up late to see it but the sky was so cloudy they didn't have it.—*Chicago Record.*

— In the South Sea—"Surely you remember Mr. Twaddles who preached the gospel to your tribe ten years ago?

"Oh, yes. I remember him very well. He was delicious."—*Life.*

— She—"And you really attended the Queen's reception in London. The men, I suppose, stand uncovered in the presence of royalty?"

"Yes, but not to the same extent as the women."—*Life.*

— Teacher—"And what is meant by keeping the Sabbath holy?"

Ethel—"It means—it means to think of something you would like to do, oh, ever so much, and then not doing it 'cause it's Sunday.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

A STORY OF TITLES.

It Is Built Entirely of Titles of Well Known Novels.

The following short story, composed entirely of titles of novels, was accorded a prize by the Newcastle Chronicle: In the days of his vanity Philip Methuen, the master of Greylands, wooed and married pretty Miss Neville, the play actress. Like and unlike thrown together into the unknown world of chance matrimony. Which shall it be? Love and quiet life—disillusion, discords, sundered hearts. Alas, family happiness too soon disappeared. She, adventuress, born coquette, singularly deluded the master night and morning. One too many mad pranks, rooted in dishonor, suspicion aroused. My lady coquette called to account, weighed and wanting. Philip and his wife, drifting apart forever and ever—self doomed, on the way through a lost illusion, foolish marriage, to the bitter end—a silent tragedy. Time and the woman, blind fate paving the way, blotted out too soon in the midst of life, the master of Greylands. Alas! Deplorable affair, a life's mistake.

List of stories used:

"In the Days of His Vanity"—Sydney Grundy.
"Philip Methuen"—Mrs. J. H. Needell.
"The Master of Greylands"—Mrs. Henry Wood.
"Wooed and Married"—Rosa N. Carey.
"Pretty Miss Neville"—B. M. Croker.
"The Play Actress"—S. R. Crockett.
"Like and Unlike"—Miss M. E. Braddon.
"Thrown Together"—Florence Montgomery.
"Into the Unknown"—Laurence Fletcher.
"World of Chance"—W. Dean Howells.
"Matrimony"—W. E. Norris.
"Which Shall It Be?"—Mrs. Alexander.
"Love and Quiet Life"—Walter Raymond.
"Disillusion"—Dorothy Leighton.
"Discords"—George Egerton.
"Sundered Hearts"—Annie S. Swan.
"Alas!"—Rhoda Broughton.
"Family Happiness"—Count Tolstoi.
"Too Soon"—Katharine S. Macquoid.
"Disappeared"—Sarah Tytler.
"She"—H. Rider Haggard.
"Adventuress"—Mrs. Annie Edwards.
"Born Coquette"—Mrs. Hungerford.
"Singularly Deluded"—Sarah Grand.
"The Master"—I. Zangwill.
"Night and Morning"—Lord Lytton.
"One Too Many"—Mrs. Lynn Linton.
"Mad Prank"—Mrs. Hungerford.
"Rooted In Dishonor"—Hartley Carmichael.
"Suspicion Aroused"—Dick Donovan (J. E. Muddock).
"My Lady Coquette"—Rita.
"Called to Account"—Annie Thomas (Mrs. Pender Cudlip).
"Weighed and Wanting"—George Macdonald.
"Philip and His Wife"—Margaret Deland.
"Drifting Apart"—Katharine S. Macquoid.
"Forever and Ever"—Florence Marryat.
"Self Doomed"—B. L. Farjeon.
"On the Way Through"—E. Gerard.
"A Lost Illusion"—Leslie Keith.
"To the Bitter End"—M. E. Braddon.
"A Silent Tragedy"—J. H. Biddell.
"Time and the Woman"—Richard Pryce.
"Blind Fate"—Mrs. Alexander.
"Paving the Way"—Simpson Newland.
"Blotted Out"—Annie Thomas.
"In the Midst of Life"—Ambrose Bierce.
"Deplorable Affair"—W. E. Norris.
"A Life's Mistake"—Mrs. Lovett Cameron.

OLD NEWSPAPERS FOR SALE AT THIS office. Suitable for wrapping paper.

SERMONS IN STONES.

They Were More Than a Figure of Speech to a Pious Maine Farmer.

Pioneer Benjamin Edmunds made the stones preach and left in his barnyard the most pious and massive fencepost in the state of Maine, a huge, round pillar as large as a hogshead, covered with the Ten Commandments neatly chiseled.

Grandpa Edmunds hewed the first path into what is now the town of Roxbury, on the Swift river. While he cleared the path and reared a cabin his wife lugged on her back all their earthly possessions.

Early in the spring of 1780 or thereabouts he had prospected in the region and picked out the pretty interval that he afterward cleared and settled upon. A friend accompanied him on that first trip. At dusk one chilly April night they reached the spot that promised best, and in the gathering gloom Mr. Edmunds surveyed the level river bottom from the wooded hillside. "This suits mo. Here I settle," he said to his companion. Both men were weary. The tramp had been long and tedious, and Edmunds' friend proposed to lie down and sleep. The other pioneer protested, urging that should they sleep they might never awake in that atmosphere chilled with April's snow.

The man was tired, however, and was bound to sleep. He did so, and Grandpa Edmunds stoically stood up and pounded a tree with a club all night in order that he might keep awake. His friend did not freeze to death, but caught a cold that ended in fatal pneumonia. The most interesting work of brave old Pioneer Edmunds' life was his quaint stonecutting. It was his hobby and diversion.

There were no churches in the whole region around, and so the settler used to slip his mallet and chisel into his pocket, sly out into the woods and chisel passages of Scripture on the rocks. Pretty soon, so industrious had he been that go where ho might on his farm some holy precept, some meaty apothegm, some stern commandment, some helpful word of spiritual cheer confronted him. The stones had tongues for him and others who labored with him in the Maine wilderness.

One huge bowlder he smoothed and rounded up with great pains and chiseled on it the Ten Commandmnets in letters three inches high. It forms a fence post in the old barnyard and is confronted by another pillar bearing the Lord's Prayer. It is said the presence of those stern monitors in the barnyard repressed many a hired man's heated argument with a refractory steer or breachy cow. Whether they availed to soothe when Boss stepped in the millpails chroniclers aver not.

Grandpa Edmunds also attempted other feats in the stone cutting line. He had a little dog of whom he was very fond, and he carved a statuette of the canine that interested visitors may see on the premises.

Prominently displayed near the corner of the farmhouse is a life size representation of a human head. A retired sea captain living in the neighborhood had a Malay whom he had brought home, and Grandpa Edmunds was so impressed by the chap's countenance that he reproduced it in stone.

The entrance to the yard is set off by a stone arch, and over the keystone of this is another human head very neatly executed.

The old gentleman had finished up at great expense of time and patience a life size American eagle as an ornament for this stone portal. He was lugging it across the yard to its position when he dropped the figure and broke off a wing. The stone post with the Ten Commandments was directly before his eyes.

Scattered about the premises are many other figures, all laboriously worked out of the stone with such rude instruments as the settler possessed. All are quaint, and some are quite creditable.

Though Pioneer Edmunds has been laid away in his grave many years, his stone treasures are still carefully preserved, even that American eagle who so ingloriously and exasperatingly shed his pinion. —Lewiston Journal.

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Gratifying.

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Every midsummer day a unique concert is given in Copenhagen, such as the whole world cannot show the like of. There are kept in the Copenhagen museum a number of ancient Scandinavian horns more than 3,000 years old called "Luren." Of this collection 14 are in good condition. They have an elegant shape, and the flat metal plates at the mouthpiece show good technical perfection and a developed taste for art. They are in different pieces fitted together. They were found buried in moorland, and their good preservation is believed to be due to the turfy water. They are of very thin metal and generally seven feet long. They were always found in pairs, the one in tune with the other.

A few years ago it was found out by Dr. Hammerich that they could still be blown or played upon. Their tones resemble those of the tenor horn, and they have a soft but powerful sound. Some are tuned in C and E sharp, others in D, E or G, and these tones form an accord, but no "scala." The midsummer concert is held as follows: On a balcony in the court of the princely palace in which is kept the Northern museum two members of the royal "capella" blow tunes on two of these primeval horns. An enormous crowd fills the court, the streets, the marble bridge and the neighboring square as far as it is possible to hear the sounds. —London News.

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BAGGING—		
2-lb Jute		5½
Standard	7½@	6¼
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams, ₩ lb	13½@	14
Sides, ₩ lb	7½@	7½
Shoulders, ₩ lb	6 @	6½
DRY SALTED—		
Sides, ₩ lb	5¾@	5¾
Shoulders, ₩ lb	5½@	5
BARRELS— Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35@	1 40
New City, each	@	1 40
BEESWAX, ₩ lb	26 @	27
BRICKS—		
Wilmington, ₩ M	6 50 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina, ₩ lb	15	
Northern	22 @	
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	@	45
Virginia Meal	55 @	45
COTTON TIES— ₩ bundle	@	85
CANDLES— ₩ lb—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	9 @	10
CHEESE— ₩ lb—		
Northern Factory	10 @	11
Dairy, Cream	11 @	12
State	@	10
COFFEE— ₩ lb—		
Laguyra	20 @	23
Rio	15½@	20
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ₩ yard	6	6¼
Yarns, ₩ bunch	18 @	20
EGGS— ₩ dozen	10 @	12½
FISH		
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ₩ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ₩ half-barrel	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ₩ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ₩ barrel	3 25 @	3 50
Mullets, ₩ pork barrel	6 00 @	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring ₩ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ₩ lb	5 @	10
Extra	3 25 @	3 50
FLOUR— ₩ barrel—		
Low grade	@	3 00
Choice	2 75 @	3 00
Straight	3 75 @	3 25
Fine Patent	@	4 25
GLUE— ₩ lb	27½@	30
GRAIN— ₩ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bags—White	42½@	45
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White	47½@	40
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	47½@	48½
Oats, from store	@	55
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	50 @	60
HIDES, ₩ lb—		
Green	@	5
Dry	@	8
HAY, ₩ 100 lbs—		
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	@	90
North River	@	85
HOOP IRON, ₩ lb	3 @	3½
LARD, ₩ lb—		
Northern	9½@	9½
North Carolina	@	10
LIME, ₩ barrel	@	1 20
LUMBER (city sawed) ₩ M feet—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Dressed Flooring	15 00 @	18 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ₩ gallon—		
New Crop Cuba, in hhds	@	22
" " in bbls	@	23
Porto Rico, in hhds	25 @	27½
" in bbls	25 @	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12 @	14
" in bbls	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	18 @	20
NAILS, ₩ keg, Cut, 60d basis	@	2 30
PORK, ₩ barrel—		
City Mess	10 50@	10 50
Rump	@	10 00
Prime	@	10 00
ROPE, ₩ lb	10 @	22
SALT— ₩ sack Alum	@	75
Liverpool	@	65
Lisbon	@	65
American	@	65
on 125 ₩ Sacks	40 @	45
SHINGLES 7-inch, ₩ M	5 00 @	7 00
Common	2 00 @	2 50
Cypress Sap	4 50 @	5 00
Cypress Heart	@	7 50
SUGAR, ₩ lb—Standard Gra'd	5½@	5
Standard A	@	4¾
White Ex. C	@	4½
ExtraC, Golden	4 @	4¼
C, Yellow	@	3¾
SOAP, ₩ lb—Northern	3½@	
STAVES, ₩ M—W. O. Barrel	8 00 @	14
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ₩ M feet—Shipping	70 @	9 00
Mill, Prime	90 @	7 00
Mill, Fair	5 00 @	4 50
Common Mill	4 00 @	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary	3 00 @	3 00
TALLOW, ₩ lb	5 @	5
WHISKEY, ₩ gallon—Northern	1 00 @	
North Carolina	1 00 @	
WOOL, ₩ lb—Washed	16 @	
Clear of burs	15@	
Burs	10@	

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 23.

NAVAL STORES.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Firm at 26 cents per gallon for country and 26½ cents for machine-made casks.

ROSIN.—Market firm at $1 85 per bbl for Strained and $1 40 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market steady at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quoted on 'Change firm at $1 10 for Hard, $1 50 for Yellow Dip and $1 60 for Virgin. Inspectors quote Hard, $1 80; Virgin and Yellow Dip, $1 60.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 24½c; rosin, strained, $0.95; good strained $1 00; tar $0.95; crude turpentine 1 10, 1 50, 1 70.

RECEIPTS

Spirits Turpentine	65
Rosin	268
Tar	375
Crude Turpentine	88

Receipts same day last year—109 casks spirits turpentine, 526 bbls rosin, 330 bbls tar, 33 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Dull on a basis of 7¾c for Middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5¾	cts ₩ lb
Good Ordinary	6¾	" "
Low Middling	7 5-16	" "
Middling	7¾	" "
Good Middling	8 1-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 5c.

Receipts—804 bales; same day last year, 2,413.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 23—Evening—Money on call was active at 3@75 per cent, with the last loan at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper was quoted at 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm; actual business in bankers' bills 487¾@488 for sixty days and 489½@489½ for demand. Commercial bills ——. Government bonds were weak; United States coupon fours 110; United States twos 96. State bonds quiet; North Carolina fours 108 asked; North Carolina sixes 124. Railroad bonds were firmer.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to-day was steady.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 23—Evening—Cotton quiet; middling gulf 8¼c; middling 8¼c.

Cotton futures—market closed steady; December 7 90, January 7 90, February 7 97; March 8 04, April 8 09, May 8 15, June 8 16, July 8 19, August 8 20, September 7 98, October 7 80, November 7 77. Sales 289,900 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 2,517 bales; gross 13,195 bales; exports to Great Britain 933 bales; to France 550 bales; to the Continent 2,271 bales; forwarded 6,529 bales; sales 3,848 bales, sales to spinners 190 bales; stock (actual) 190,768 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 45,144 bales; exports to Great Britain 933 bales; to France 550 bales; to the Continent 15,990 bales; stock 1,041,149 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 80,122 bales; exports to Great Britain 14,380 bales; to France 6,800 bales; to the Continent 33,786 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 3,190,414 bales; exports to Great Britain 932,907 bales; exports

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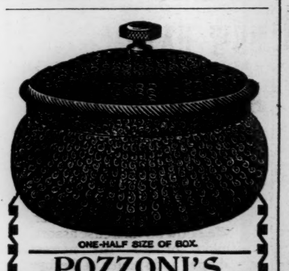

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The Morning Star.

"OLD AND NEW YEAR DITTIES."

Passing away, saith the world, passing away,
Chances, beauty and youth sapped day by day.
Thy life never continueth in one stay.
Is the eye waxen dim? Is the dark hair changing to gray
That hath won neither laurel nor bay?
I shall clothe myself in spring and bud in May.
Thou, root stricken, shalt not rebuild thy decay
On my bosom for aye.
Then I answered, Yea.

Passing away, saith my soul, passing away,
With its burden of fear and hope, of labor and play.
Hearken what the past doth witness and say—
Rust in thy gold; a moth is in thine array;
A canker is in thy bud; thy leaf must decay.
At midnight, at cockcrow, at morning, one certain day,
Lo, the bridegroom shall come and shall not delay.
Watch thou and pray.
Then I answered, Yea.

Passing away, saith my God, passing away.
Winter passeth after long delay—
New grapes on the vine, new figs on the tender spray;
Turtle calleth turtle in heaven's May.
Though I tarry, wait for me, trust me, watch and pray.
Arise; come away. Night is past, and, lo, it is day,
My love, my sister, my spouse, thou shalt hear me say.
Then I answered, Yea.

—Christina Rossetti.

Effectively Posed.

In the days when daguerreotypes were first introduced the nervousness of being "taken" must have reduced the average sitter to a condition of submission to the operator. Not so with a certain New England judge of whom Mr. J. A. Willard tells a story. He had all the airy self command of modern posers before the camera. In the summer of 1846 daguerreotyping was still an experiment, and the artists were willing to take pictures of noted persons to hang outside their doors as a sample of their work.

A gentleman walked into the room of such an artist one day and said: "Mr. ——, I am Mr. Justice —— of the justices' court. I understand you take pictures of distinguished men to exhibit to the public."

"Yes, sir. Be kind enough to take a chair. How would you like yours taken?"

"I should like to be taken as in my courtroom."

"Assume your attitude, sir, and tell me when you are ready."

He placed himself to his satisfaction, and looking very stern said, pointing his finger in the direction of the supposed criminal: "Prisoner, where— Take me now, sir."

He was taken, and the artist then said, "How otherwise would you like to be taken?"

"I should like to be taken in the bosom of my family. John, bring me the Bible." The artist gave him a Bible. He opened it and said: "We will now read the ninety-second psalm. Take me now, sir."

He was taken, and both pictures were after hung at the entrance door.

St. Dympna's Shrine.

In very early days Gheel seems to have been a kind of Lourdes. A certain St. Dympna, who lies buried there—an Irish woman, by the way—was supposed to have les faibles d'esprit under her special protection. It was the custom, therefore, throughout the Netherlands for persons who had insane relatives to take them to her tomb and there offer special prayers to her for their recovery. If tradition is to be relied upon, the saint was by no means loath to give proof of her beneficent power, and wonderful stories are told of the way in which she used to restore reason to those who had lost it. Still, even in those times miracles were not wrought every day.

Some of the sufferers who went to Gheel had to wait for months—nay, years—before they were healed, while others were never healed at all. And while waiting they had to be taken care of. At first the innocents, as St. Dympna's proteges were called, were all lodged in little huts or caves around the church, but as the fame of Gheel spread abroad they increased in number, and it became necessary to make other arrangements. They were then boarded out with the peasants living in the village, and there were so many of them at length that every family had its innocent.—Cornhill Magazine.

Feminine Toilets.

What singular ideas on the subject of feminino toilets men did once have, to be sure, and how much they usually know about the matter nowadays! This is amusingly noticeable in current literature. Such blunders were once not uncommon as that made in "Austin Elliot" by Henry Kingsley, when he made his modest, quietly dressed little heroine wear "a big diamond clasp" to her demure, Quaker gray cloak, in which she was wont to creep off to weekday church services. Obviously Mr. Kingsley had no notion that if a woman possessed a "big diamond clasp" she would not wear it in the street as well as anywhere else. This ignorance is rather a relief to the man millinery of present day novels. Once in awhile one does come, to be sure, to a mistake like Mr. Howells in "April Hopes," where he made a bride in veil and satin drive directly from the church to the train of cars. But these slips of the masculine pen are rare indeed any more.—New York Times.

The Birch Tree That Split a Rock.

Among the hills of old Berkshire is a noble birch tree, gigantic in trunk and limb and abundant in foliage, which towers above its neighboring companions, but grows apparently out of an immense granite bowlder. Here, one might think, it would have paused, submitting to the adamantine pressure, either crushed utterly to the earth or dwarfed and deformed by its unyielding environment. But it had the irresistible evolutionary forces of nature behind it. The sunlight above wooed it from its prison house. It pushed upward toward the light. Gradually the little crevice in the rock was widened, the great bowlder was split asunder as by the hammer of Thor—the noble tree was scarcely distorted by the struggle, protected from destructive storms by its conquered enemy.—Boston Transcript.

Long Lived Norwegians.

Norway is a small country, and the sayings and doings of its people do not get into newspaper type very often, but the Norwegians nevertheless have a claim upon celebrity due to the fact that the average length of life is greater there than in any other country in Europe. Recent statistics show that for males the average is 48 years and 3 months; for females it is 51 years and 3 months.

It is a valuable commentary on this that the mortality in Norway is 17 per cent less than in the center or west of Europe, this being due to the fact that a far smaller number of infants die there than in any other country.—New York World.

To What Base Uses.

Quevedo—Pardon me, but what has become of that handsome vase you had on the mantel? Was it not—

The Widow—Yes, it contained the ashes of my lamented husband, but I had to put it away. The sight of it was so harrowing to my feelings. Just think! The other day I discovered Jane scouring the knives with all that remained of poor William.—London Answers.

Duty.

Every duty, even the least duty, involves the whole principle of obedience. The commonest life may be full of perfection. The duties of home are a discipline for the ministries of heaven.—H. E. Manning.

The Philadelphia Ledger tells of a country cemetery which has the following notice over the gate: "Only the dead who live in the parish are buried here."

TALE OF A BATHTUB.

An American Student's Ways a Source of Wonder to Landladies in Germany.

I went to a town in south Germany, and not a house in it, excepting perhaps the brand new palace which had been built in the hope of enticing the emperor there on a visit once a year, boasted of a stationary tub. I bought a tin bathtub as soon as I arrived and set out from my hotel to find lodgings where I could get fresh water enough to make it available. I was prepared, as Americans who go to Germany to live must be, to pay more than the other students, and for running water I was willing to give even more.

But it was not to be had in any of the lodgings I saw, and when I explained that I wanted a bath much surprise was always expressed when we were not satisfied with the statement that the "bad anstalt" was only a short distance away and would, moreover, send a bathtub to me once a week. The suggestion that the servant bring up water enough each morning to fill the tub always cooled down the landlady's enthusiasm to secure me as a tenant. I and my companion finally found a one house a room which rejoiced in the possession of a thin rubber tube in the wall, and through this under favorable circumstances it was possible to procure a hesitating, uncertain stream of water. It was water, though, so we took the rooms and sent around the two tubs, which, owing to their capacity to waste every morning as much water as the family used in a week, were regarded with horror by our landlady.

I used to go every afternoon to a tutor for a lesson in German, and as it came after the lectures in the university I was apt to be pretty well played out. This tutor, who was also a privat docent in the university, had a bathtub and a keg of hot water sent around to him from the public bath once a week. There were a number of students and teachers living in the house with him, and they all took their bath on the same day, so that the wagon on which the tub and the hot water were carried had to stand for some time in front of the door. The tub always began to do its work on the first floor, and when it was finished there a head and shoulders covered with a towel appeared at the window and beckoned to the man. Then the latter carried the tub up stairs to the next man. In the intervals between the visits to the bathtub a very diminutive china pitcher and bowl did what they could toward filling its place.

Often after our lesson the tutor and I would take supper together. He had been hard at work all day, and so had I, but his preparation for supper always had much better results than mine. He poured a little water into the bowl and sprinkled it chiefly over his hair, put a fresh celluloid collar on his gray flannel shirt and covered up the shirt with a large black plastron scarf. After brushing his hair carefully and twirling his mustache until the ends stood up furiously he would throw back his shoulders and prove perfectly irresistible to the kellnerin that waited on us. The arrival of the bathtub might yet be several days off, but this man looked as spick as though he had just stepped out of a bandbox. People who can look so well without washing might almost be excused for hiring a bathtub for half an hour once a week.

When we went to Berlin from south Germany, the bathtubs came along, to remain a source of wonder and dismay to landladies. A stationary tub and running water are as rare almost in Berlin as they are in the small towns. The public baths are everywhere abundant, cheap and clean. Steam baths are to be had even in the small towns, and the Turkish and Russian baths, although more numerous in Berlin than in New York and cheaper, are much less elaborate. Anything like the scrubbing or massage one has in a first class place here is unknown there. The rubbers wash a bather with excelsior, used in packing glass or china, shove him under a shower, and his share of the bath ends there. The famous Russian baths at St. Petersburg follow the same plan. —New York Sun.

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Overdrafts		219 81
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds		31,250 00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000 00
Redemption Fund		1,406 00
Due from Reserve Agent	$49,071 25	
Due from other Banks	97,486 29	
Cash on hand	50,081 69	196,639 23
Total		$797,818 62

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$125,000 00
Surplus	$35,000 00	
Undivided profits	17,067 01	52,067 01
Circulation		28,120 00
Total deposits		592,631 61
Total		$797,818 62

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2 00	Lv.. Mulberry street ..Ar	12 40
3 58	Lv.. Jacksonville Lv	10 42
4 30	Lv.. Maysville.....Lv	10 09
4 44	Lv.. Pollocksville.....Lv	9 55
5 23	Ar.. Newbern Lv	9 30
P M		A M

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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOV. 17, 1895.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY 9.20 A M — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.47 a m, Warsaw 11.01 a m, Goldsboro 11.56 a m, Wilson 12.40 p m, Rocky Mount 1.30 p m, Tarboro 2.36 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.29 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m. Baltimore 12.58 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.58 a m, Boston 3.30 p m.

DAILY 7.00 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 p m, Warsaw 8.48 p m, Goldsboro 9.26 p m, Wilson 10.25 p m, †Tarboro 6.58 a m, Rocky Mount 11.05 a m, Weldon 1.01 a m, †Norfolk 10.25 a m, Petersburg 3.37 a m, Richmond 3.40 a m, Washington 7.00 a m, Baltimore 8.33 a m, Philadelphia 10.46 a m, New York 1.33 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 3.30 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.45 p m, Chadbourn 5.19 p m, Marion 6.39 p m, Florence 7.10 p m, Sumter 8.48 p m, Columbia 10.10 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.00 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 11.18 p m, Savannah 1.19 a m, Jacksonville 7.55 a m, St Augustine 10.15 a m, Tampa 6.00 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston 1.00 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.55 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.00 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.53 a m, Tarboro 12.20 p m, Rocky Mount 1.05 p m, Wilson 2.10 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.09 p m, Magnolia 4.10 p m.

DAILY 10.00 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.00 p m, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 a m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.48 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.10 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m, †Tarboro 5.58 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 p m, leave Wilson 6.30 a m, Goldsboro 7.05 a m, Warsaw 8.08 a m, Magnolia 8.15 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 11 50 a m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.30 a m, Sanford 1.00 p m, Jacksonville 6.20 p m Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 4.13 a m, Columbia 5.30 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 3.25 p m, Denmark 4.17 p m, Sumter 6.43 a m., Florence 8.35 a m, Marion 9.06 a m, Chadbourn 10.10 a m, Lake Waccamaw 10.39 a m.

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Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 p m, Hall 4.13 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 p m, Greenville 6.47 p m, Kinston 7.45 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.20 a m, Greenville 8.32 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.20 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 7.00 a. m., arrive Parmele 8.40 a. m., Tarboro 10 a m returning leaves Tarboro 4.30 p m; Parmele 6.30 p. m, arrives Washington 7.45 p. m. Daily except Sunday. Connects at Parmele with trains on Scotland Neck Branch.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, at 4.50 p m; Sunday 3.00 p m; arrive Plymouth 9 00 p m, 5.25 p m. Returning, leave Plymouth daily except Sunday 6.00 a m, Sunday 9 30 a m; Arrive Tarboro 10 25 a m and 11 55 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5 05 a m; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 7.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield, N. C., 8 00 a m; arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 9 30 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 8.05 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m, and 3.00 p m.

Trains on South and North Carolina Railroad leave Elliott 11 20 a m and 7 15 p m, Lucknow 1 00 p m, and 8 15 p m; returning leave Lucknow 6 30 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Elliott 8 00 a m and 3 30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 8 40 a m, arrive Latta 9.01 a m, Dillon 9 12 a m, Rowland 9 31 a m, returning leaves Rowland 6 38 p m, arrives Dillon 6.51 p m, Latta 6.54 p m, Pee Dee 6.57 p m, daily. Latta Branch trains leave Latta 8 40 p m, arrive Clio 9 05 p m, returning leave Clio 8 10 a m, arrive Latta 7 50 a m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Conway Railroad, leave Hub at 8.15 a m, Chadbourn 10.30 a m, arrive Conway 12.35 p m, leave Conway 2 30 p m, Chadbourn 4.35 p m, arrive Hub 6.50 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 8.15 a m, 8.45 a m, *6.50 a m, 7 35 p m, arrive Darlington 8.55 a m, 9.30 a m, *9.30 a m, 8 p m, Hartsville *10 a m and 8.50 p m, Bennettsville 8 54 p m, Gibson 9 23 p m, Cheraw, S. C., 11.15 a m, Wadesboro 1.10 p m. Returning leave Wadesboro 3.00 p m, Cheraw 3.45 p m, Gibson 5 47 a m, Bennettsville 6 16 a m, Hartsville 6.30 a m, †6 45 a m. Darlington 7.30 a m, †7 30 p m, 4.30 p m, 6.05 p m, arrive Florence 7.55 a m, †7 55 a m, 5 p m, 6 40 p m, †Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.50 p m, Manning 6.31 p m, arrive Lane's †7 p m, leave Lanes 8.38 a m, Manning 9.15 a m, arrive Sumter 9.44 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.35 a m, 5.35 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.18 p m, arrive Selma 3.53 p m, Smithfield 5.08 p m, Dunn 5.44 p m, Fayetteville 4.30 p m. 1.07 a m. Rowland 6.05 p m, returning leave Rowland 9.31 a m, Fayetteville 10.55 a m, 9.40 p m, Dunn 11.44 a m, Smithfield 12.25 p m, Selma 12.52 p m, arrive Wilson 1.30 p m, 11.55 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Darlington †7 25 a m, arrives Sumter †8 53 a m. Leave Sumter †10 a m, arrives Pregnalls †4 04 p m. Leaves Sumter 4 32 a m, arrives Denmark 6 20 a m. Returning leaves Denmark 4 17 p m, arrive Sumter 6 03 p m. Leaves Pregnalls †8 50 a m, arrives Sumter †8 05 p m. Leaves Sumter †6 25 p m, arrives Darlington †7 55 p m.

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SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 1.	MAIN LINE	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 2.
7 55 p m	Ar... Wilmington ...Lve	7 25 a m
4 45 "	Lv... Fayetteville ...Ar	10 35 a m
4 23 "	Ar.. Fayetteville ...Lv	10 55 "
4 30 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	10 57 "
3 19 "	Lv .... Sanford Lv	12 19 p m
1 32 a m	Lv..... Climax.....Lv	2 25 "
1 13 "	Lv..... Greensboro....Ar	2 56 "
12 58 "	Ar.... Greensboro.....Lv	3 05 "
12 12 a m	Lv.... Stokesdale.....Lv	3 59 "
11 46 "	Lv.... Walnut Cove....Ar	4 31 "
11 35 "	Ar.. Walnut Cove.....Lv	4 38 "
11 05 "	Lv.... Rural Hall.....Lv	5 11 "
9 35 "	Lv.....Mt Airy.....Ar	6 45 "

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 3.	Bennettsville Division	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 4.
7 30 p m	Ar....Bennettsville...Lv	8 25 a m
6 12 "	Lv.....Maxton.... Ar	9 43 "
5 42 "	Lv....Red Springs....Lv	9 55 "
4 58 "	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	10 35 "
4 38 "	Lv....Fayetteville...Ar	10 52 "

SOUTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 15. MIXED.	Factory and Madison Branches	NORTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 16. MIXED.
5 50 p m	Ar..... Kainsur Lv	6 45 a m
3 55 "	Lv..... Climax Lv	8 35 "
3 10 "	Lv.... Greensboro.... Ar	9 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 13 MIXED. Daily except Sunday.
Leave Greensboro	9 35 a m
Leave Stokesdale	10 20 "
Arrive Madison	11 50 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. MIXED. daily except Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 25 p m
Leave Stokesdale	1 23 "
Arrive Greensboro	3 25 "

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TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 24, 1895

SPOTS AND FUTURES

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 23.—The *Sun* says cotton advanced four to six points, but lost this and declined three to five points, after which there was a rally which put prices six to eight points above the final quotations of Saturday, and the close was steady after sales of 289 900 bales.

To day's features: The market, which last week was overshadowed and depressed by ominous political and financial developments, was to-day relieved by what seemed to be a better outlook politically and financially, and accordingly prices advanced. Liverpool was very active and futures there opened higher. A subsequent reaction there was reflected in a recession here. The Liverpool decline is attributed both to large tenders on December contracts and selling from this side in the liquidation of straddles by Greek interests. These interests, on the other hand, bought heavily in New York, their purchases being estimated as high as 25,000 bales, and this fact together with other local offering and some buying for Southern account gave prices an upward impetus in the late transactions, and they closed at a substantial advance in spite of the fact that some of the New York bears have been cabling to Liverpool that the receipts this week promised to be heavy. That would be nothing strange in any event, considering the fact that it is Christmas week, for as a matter of fact some estimates of the arrivals at the ports for the week are only 200,000 bales against 238,679 last week, 303,312 last year and 266,000 bales in 1893, though it is true that the receipts for the corresponding week in 1893 were only 160,000. It remains to be seen, however, whether the ports will really get 300,000 bales this week. The crop in 1893 was 6,617,142 bales. In spite of the talk about the week's receipts, a sharp rally, it will be seen, took place this afternoon, and unless there are further political developments in the immediate future still higher prices are expected, and even allowing for the possibility of a change for the worse in political outlook, many contend that Great Britain is likely to buy very heavily, as its stocks of raw cotton are admittedly at a low stage

THE STOCK MARKET.

A Better Feeling and a Decided Gain in Prices—One Small Failure Announced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Wall street breathed freer to-day and there was in consequence a decided gain in prices. The market received its first impulse from London, where American securities opened with gains extending to 2 per cent. in some instances. Our market followed quickly and in the initial trading sharp rises were recorded in the entire list. Buying orders on a large scale then made their appearance in the market and a steady appreciation in values followed. The buying was stimulated by the action of the New York Clearing House Association, which decided at a meeting held at noon to issue loan certificates if required. This means that no brokerage concern with anything like marketable collateral need pay fancy rates for money and is of the greatest importance to the Street. Almost simultaneously with the official announcement of the clearing house action there were heavy offerings of money by J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., Flower & Co, and other prominent firms and call loans which had commanded as high as 75 per cent. on pledge of fancy stocks as collateral dropped quickly to 6 per cent. on the regular dividend payers and finally fell to 3 per cent. A feature of the day's business was the picking up of stocks for cash. The fact that the settlements at the Stock Exchange clearing house passed through successfully, and a belief that President Cleveland will act promptly in the matter of replenishing the gold reserve in case Congress should delay, both acted as a sustaining influence. Late in the day the failure of H. L. Langhaar was announced, but this had no effect, as it is generally believed that the liabilities of the concern are small. The opening ranged from 1 to 9 per cent., and at the close the gain was well maintained.

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By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 23.—The Seaboard Air Line has given sixty days notice of its intended withdrawal from the Southern States Freight Association. Vice President St. John's letter is given out for publication. In it he says that the Seaboard withdraws because the organization of the Association has not been completed, that a new arbitration committee has not been elected, and there is a dead-lock over the matter. He declares that some of the stronger lines are not disposed to treat with the weaker lines fairly. The withdrawal of the Seaboard, if it occurs, will be apt to lead to a rate war.

Chas. W. Raymond, president, and Edward M. Raymond, cashier of the Middletown (Pa.) National Bank, convicted of misappropriating funds of the defunct bank, have been sentenced to seven years and five months imprisonment.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 23.–Spirits turpentine quiet and firm at 29@29½c. Rosin dull but steady; strained common to good $1 70@1 75.

CHARLESTON, December 23.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 25½c; receipts 14 casks. Rosin firm; good strained $1 20@1 30; receipts 214 barrels.

SAVANNAH, December 23.–Spirits turpentine opened and closed firm at 27; later sales were made at 27½c. Rosin was in good demand for low grades.

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CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ONLY IN SESSION.

Committee Appointments—No Holiday Recess Will be Considered Until Some Measure of Financial Relief is Considered—Bills and Resolutions Introduced

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, December 23.—There was a fair attendance of members when the Speaker's gavel fell at noon to-day.

Mr. Tracey of Missouri, Republican, was appointed to the Naval Affairs in place of Mr. Hart of Pennsylvania, Republican.

Mr. Daniels of New York, Republican, chairman of the Committee on Elections, offered a resolution authorizing the appointment of a clerk for each of the three branches of the committee and authorizing the committee to sit during the sessions of the House, was agreed to. A section of the resolution authorizing the chairman of the committee to apportion the contested cases among the three committees was objected to by Mr. Crisp, and the cases were under the rules distributed by the Speaker, the first nine going to Committee No. 1, the next 11 to Committee No. 2 and the remainder to Committee No. 3.

Mr. Dingley, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, stated that the concurrent resolution providing for a holiday adjournment with the Senate amendments had been considered by the Ways and Means Committee at their meeting this morning. They had unanimously decided that in view of the request contained in the President's message and under all other circumstances it would not be appropriate to take a holiday recess until some measure of relief had been considered by the House. The committee had now such a measure under consideration and he hoped by next Thursday to report it to the House. All absent members had been telegraphed for, and he hoped they would all be present on that day. On motion of Mr. Aldrich of Illinois, Republican, chairman of the Committee on Accounts, a resolution was agreed to directing that committee to designate what committees should be allowed clerks.

On motion of Mr. Dingley, the House at 12.30 p. m. adjourned until to-morrow.

Chairman Dingley, of the Committee on Ways and Means, requested the Sergeant-at-Arms to telegraph absentee members of the House that their presence in the House on Thursday was necessary to consider a financial measure which would be reported on that day. Acting upon that suggestion telegrams were sent to 120 absentees.

A resolution was offered in the House by Mr. Henderson of Iowa, Republican, a member of the Rules Committee, having for its purpose the clearing of the way in the House for any financial bill which may be reported by the Ways and Means Committee. The resolution provides that when the Ways and Means Committee shall report upon the questions of raising revenue now before it. it shall be in order, on motion of the chairman of that committee, to take up and dispose of the same in the House.

Among the bills introduced in the House to-day was the following:

By Mr. Brewster of New York, Republican, to relieve the United States Treasury by providing that hereafter no gold coin of a less denomination than ten dollars shall be coined, nor shall there be issued any legal tender notes or paper currency of any kind of less denomination than $10.

Mr. Cummings of New York, Democrat, offered in the House to-day a joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Navy to accept the ram Kathdin and to make her a part of the navy.

Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Republican, offered in the House to-day a joint resolution appropriating $1,500.000 to enable the Secretary of the Navy to contract for a reserve supply of projectiles for the use of the navy. A preamble to the resolution calls attention to the section of the annual report of the Secretary of the Navy, which states that the naval service has no reserve supply of projectiles for itself or for auxiliary cruisers which would be fitted out in time of war.

The chairmen of the three election committees are making arrangements to have their committees meet as soon as possible.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Closed Higher—Corn and Oats Unchanged—Pork Produces Higher.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 23.—Trading in grain and provisions to-day partook of a holiday character entirely. There was no disposition to open new accounts in anything and orders were mostly for the purpose of evening up old ones. In wheat there was a return of confidence, the apprehension which was felt towards the end of last week having vanished. The opening was firm, the motive for strength coming from an advance in stocks at London. When the visible supply increase of 2,564,000 bushels became public prices moved lower and for a time were scarcely steady at the decline, but before the close they traversed the entire previous range and final quotations were at almost the outside. May wheat opened at 58, sold between 58½@57½c, closing at 58@58¼c—¾@½c higher than Saturday. Cash wheat was steady and unchanged.

May corn opened at 28c, sold at 28½c, closing at the latter, unchanged from Saturday. Cash corn was steady.

May oats closed unchanged. Cash oats were easy and ¼c per bushel lower.

Provisions—The bulls in product ascribed firmness in that market to the true merit of the property. Not a great amount of business was transacted. At the close May pork was 7½c higher, May lard and ribs each 3½c higher.

A SHARP SCHEME

Worked by Tramps on the State Treasury at Raleigh.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, December 23.—Two tramps worked a smooth scheme on the State Treasury to-day. One of them, who gives his name as A. W. Lawrison, and his home as New York, appeared at the paying teller's desk and presented a State bond coupon for $30, which was promptly cashed. A moment later the teller found that it had been cancelled and that by the aid of mucilage and a hot iron it had been so smoothed that the cut made by the cancelling stamp did not show until the coupon was handled. It was found that several days ago the Treasurer had burned many cancelled coupons in an open fireplace and that some of these, not burned, had passed up the chimney and fallen on the ground. There the tramps had picked them up. Lawrison was arrested and told the Mayor he did not own the coupons, but that another man who was at the gate of the Capitol square had sent him to cash it. The police saw the latter man standing at the entrance to the Capitol square and are after him.

The Modern Mother

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant laxative, Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effects of a gentle remedy than by any other, and that it is more acceptable to them. Children enjoy and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

WAYS AND MEANS.

PLAN DEVISED TO MEET DEFICIT IN NATIONAL FINANCES.

Bonds and Certificates of Indebtedness to Meet Present Necessities—Amendments to the Tariff Law Which Will Bring In About Forty Millions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Four hours were occupied by the Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee this afternoon in preparing a measure of relief for the Treasury Department. There was a satisfactory unanimity of opinion among the members as to the course to be pursued in order to meet the deficit in the national finances. Naturally the first suggestion was to secure revenue in the line of Republican policy, which it is estimated will increase revenues about $40,000,000 annually.

Another measure, which is still incomplete, will also be reported at the same time, looking to an issue of bonds and certificates of indebtedness, bearing a low rate of interest, to meet the present emergencies. The two measures will not be amalgamated, but will be brought before the House separately. This conclusion differs radically from the sentiments expressed at a secret caucus of the Republican members held at the Capitol on Saturday night last At that time nearly all the Republicans present favored one general bill, which it was contended should stand or fall with the Senate and the President upon its merits. To-day, however, the disposition was so general to report two different measures that the agreement was reached without delay. The reason for this was obvious. It was explained by some of the members present that the silver Republicans in the House and Senate would vote with their party on the tariff measure while they would be forced by the very nature of things to oppose the bond features of the measure. It was primarily to secure the support of the silver Republicans, and not put them in an antagonistic position to their party, that the decision was reached to divide the two propositions. The two bills will be reported to the House on Thursday of this week and will be passed with little delay. One and possibly two days may be devoted to their consideration, but it is not improbable that they will be passed before the close of the session Thursday, which may be prolonged to extend the time for discussion. The substantial features of the tariff bill are these: Making a 60 per cent. rate on wool, with a 60 per cent compensatory duty on manufactured cloth, over the act of 1894. A 60 per cent. rate of duty over the 1890 law (McKinley) on lumber. A 35 per cent. increase over the act of 1894 (Wilson bill) on live stock, cereals, and in the dry products and a horizontal increase of 15 per cent. in the rates of duty on all other schedules over the law of 1894.

In this connection a proviso is added that in no case shall the rates of duty exceed those of the McKinley law, except in cases where the present rates of duty are higher than those of the McKinley tariff law. The proposed amendments will remain in effect until August 1st, 1898. The increase of duty on farm products was made at the request of the members representing distinctively agricultural districts, their contention being that the present law is ruinous to their granger constituents. The accompanying bill provides for an issue of three per cent, five year bonds to protect the gold reserve in the Treasury with a provision that the currency redeemed by the bonds shall not be paid out while a deficit exists in the Treasury. This differs from the original purpose of the Republican leaders which was to give authority to the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a 3 per cent. bond as a popular loan, to maintain the gold reserve and for no other purpose, with a proviso that the redeemed greenbacks shall not be used to meet current expenses, but be retained as long as necessary as a part of the redemption funds; authority to issue to national banks circulating notes up to the par of the bonds deposited as security therefor, and to reduce the tax on national banks circulation, and authority for the issue of certificates of indebtedness to meet temporary deficiency in receipts until the revenues can be provided.

In addition to the sale of bonds, the bill will also authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue certificates of indebtedness bearing 2 per cent. interest, not to exceed $50.0000,000 in amount, to meet current deficiencies of the revenue.

CLEVELAND ENDORSED

By the Board of Aldermen of New York and Chicago Board of Trade.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Board of Aldermen this afternoon, after a stormy debate lasting an hour, endorsed President Cleveland's message on the Venezuelan boundary dispute by a vote of 20 to 5.

Alderman Oakley (Tammany) introduced the resolution which recites that the President's action was patriotic, worthy of approbation and should be endorsed by the Board.

Alderman Olcott, Republican, made a vigorous speech in opposition to the resolution. He said that the Monroe doctrine was not involved in the Venezuelan matter and that President Cleveland had made a gross mistake.

A motion of Mr. Olcott to lay it on the table was defeated by a vote of 11 to 16. The resolution was then adopted by a vote of 20 to 5.

At the weekly meeting of the Baptist ministers of this city this morning a resolution condemning President Cleveland's Venezuelan message was laid on the table by a vote of 22 to 13 after a hot debate.

The Chicago Board of Trade to-day sent the following to Speaker Reed: We congratulate the House of Representatives of the United States upon their prompt and patriotic action to relive the Treasury as requested by the President of the United States.

Messages were at the same time sent all over the country to the leading Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce requesting them to follow the example set by Chicago.

VENEZUELA COMMISSION.

The President Searching Universities and Colleges for Suitable Men.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, December 23.—The Venezuelan boundary commission will probably not be announced by President Cleveland until the latter part of this week or the first of next week. It will consist most likely of three members. The President's aim is to put on the commission only such men as will inspire respect and confidence on both sides of the Atlantic and whose acquirements will be acknowledged by the world of statesmanship, science and letters. In making the selections, men with whom politics is simply an incident and not their profession, will be preferred, and one close to the President is authority for the statement that probably not a single name mentioned will be found on the commission The President, it is known, is searching the universities and colleges of this country for suitable men. The high standard which the President has set for that commission restricts the circle from which the members can be chosen and in this sense simplifies his work. Secretary Olney is in daily consultation with the President on the matter.

COTTON ACREAGE.

Movement Inaugurated Looking to No Increase Next Year—Resolutions of the Memphis Cotton Exchange.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MEMPHIS, TENN., December 23.—The movement looking to no increase of the cotton acreage next year was inaugurated by the Memphis Cotton Exchange this afternoon at a general meeting called for the purpose. The preamble to the resolutions adopted sets forth that a large crop of cotton grown at heavy expense brings but little, if any, larger total value, contrasting the present with past years to establish the fact, and adds:

"Another matter for the farmers to bear in mind is that at the present time when there is a remote possibility of a war, if such should occur, the inevitable result thereof would be to depreciate the value of cotton and appreciate the value of all food crops. Therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, That the Memphis Cotton Exchange urgently recommends to the producers that the production of home supplies be made the first consideration in planting operations for the coming year and that the acreage of cotton be not increased over that of last year.

"*Resolved*, That we approve and indorse the American Cotton Growers' Association for bringing about the reduction in the acreage of the crop now being marketed, and we respectfully urge the Hon. Hector D. Lane, the president, and his coadjutors, the presidents of the various cotton States of said Association, to continue in the good work, and to take up the matter at the earliest practicable moment and urge it again upon the attention of the cotton producers of the South.

"*Resolved*, That the various Cotton Exchanges throughout the South be, and are hereby requested to co-operate."

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Condition of the Treasury Gold Reserve—No Issue of Bonds Anticipated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 23.—The withdrawal of $1,500,000 in gold at New York to-day reduces the Treasury gold to $65,500,000. Of the gold withdrawn $250,000 was in bars for export. The gold deposited in various sub-Treasuries to-day, aggregating nearly $300,000, does not yet appear in the Treasury figures.

Until Congress acts or it be determined that it will not act, no issue of bonds is anticipated at the Treasury Department. Nothing has occurred to-day or during the past few days to change the opinions of officials there as expressed in these dispatches last week following the President's message to Congress, that the President would allow Congress reasonable time to formulate financial relief measures, and if it failed and the situation demanded it he would sell bonds under the redemption act to redeem the Treasury gold reserve. That opinion still prevails.

Telegrams have been pouring in on Secretary Carlisle and the President all day long from financial centres regarding the Treasury situation and the Venezuelan matter. Secretary Carlisle conferred with the President several times, and both were much relieved at the apparent return of confidence as evidenced in the rise in the price of American securities at home and abroad.

C. F. & Y. V. R. R.

Meeting of Bondholders—No Agreement—The Fight To Be Taken To The Courts.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, December 23.—The bondholders of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R. met this afternoon and discussed the future of the property and the plans of the Baltimore and New York holders for its disposal. The meeting was very exciting and continued more than three hours. About one hundred persons were present.

The Baltimore plan contemplates the sale of the road as a whole, while the New Yorkers insist that the three divisions of the road upon which three series of mortgage bonds known as A, B and C, are outstanding, be sold separately for the benefit of the holders of the respective securities. It was agreed that a majority of the holders of the three series should be necessary to a decision. A majority of the New Yorkers endorsed the New York plan, while the Baltimore holders of the B and C series were in the majority and the vote as a whole was in favor of the Baltimore committee's plan, the total being: For the New York plan $640,000; for the Baltimore plan $1,519,000.

Propositions were received from the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway Company for the lease of the road under the Baltimore and New York plans, respectively.

The fight will now be taken to the courts.

MURDER IN MADISON.

Mrs. Sarah Anderson Killed by James Payne.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, December 23.—An Executive reward was offered to-day for James Payne, whose crime was one of the worst murders ever committed in North Carolina. He was in love with the daughter of Mrs. Sarah Anderson, in Madison county, but as his character is extremely bad, he had been told he could not visit her house. He did go, however, when he knew the family were absent, save the mother and some little children. Though refused entrance he did go into the room where Mrs. Anderson lay with an infant beside her; again he refused to leave and the woman struck him with a shovel. He drew a pistol and shot her in the back. The pistol was held so close it set fire to her clothing. The bullet passed through her heart. Payne has fled into Tennessee. Mrs. Anderson was fifty years of age and leaves over a dozen children.

WARM WIRELETS.

In the prize fight in New Orleans last night Sully Smith knocked out Billy Murphy in the 14th round.

The crusier Boston has returned to Mare Island after a two days' trial run at sea. The Inspecting Board unite in saying that she is ready for service.

The town of Brookston, Ky., nine miles west of Paris, was swept by a disastrous fire Sunday. Every business house in the place was burned. Loss $50.000; insurance partial.

A London dispatch says Sir Agustus William Lawson Heming has been appointed Governor of British Guiana, to succeed Sir Chas. C. Lees. K. C. M. G., who has retired from the post.

Such members of the Indiana delegations remain in Washington City emphatically deny the statement that the Presidency of the Venezuela Commission has been offered by the President to ex President Harrison and by him declined because of physical inability to encounter the fatigue of the necessary journey. Many say that he is in the best of health.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria

RALEIGH HAPPENINGS.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE EXAMINING STATE TREASURER'S BOOKS.

Gov. Carr in Washington—Death of the Oldest Physician in Raleigh—The Southern Railway Charter—Reward for the Arrest of a Murderer—Loge Harris and Judge Russell—Base Ball League—Cruiser, Raleigh Fund—Foot Ball Accident.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 23, 1895.

At the meetings of the joint Legislative committee which examined the State Treasurer's books, several interesting matters occurred. The Messrs. Stewart, who have the State printing done, wrote the Populist members of the commitee to watch out for items of printing which had been given other houses which they were entitled to. The Populist committeemen kept a careful vigilance and found several items under the head of "contingencies" which were not in accordance with their notions. Ambrosial Hileman wanted to ignore these items but the other members prevailed on him and his co-adjutators to pass the matter over until next year, when the final report will be made to the Legislature.

Mr. D. R. Julian, who is a member of the committee, is also a deputy collector. When he presented his bill for expenses as a member of the committee, Father of the Treasury Worth sprung the double-office-holding question. The Attorney General was called in. He stated that if the question was raised, Mr. Worth could not pay Mr. Julian.

He also stated that the work of the committee for the week past would be null and void and that the Governor could appoint his successor. Treasurer Worth immediately decided not to raise the question and paid Mr. Julian for his services. At the next meeting Mr. Julian will not be recognized, as the question will surely be raised.

Governor Carr has gone to Washington, D. C., to visit his son, Dr. Carr.

Dr. J. B. Dunn, the oldest physician in Raleigh, died yesterday at the age of 74 years. He was a highly successful practitioner.

A. L. Smith, aged 110 years, died in this county Saturday. When he was in Raleigh last the walls of the Capitol were just going up.

Judge Schenck for plaintiff and Chas. Price, attorney for the Southern Railway, will argue at 12 o'clock before Attorney General Osborne, the question of bringing suit against the Southern Railway to amend the charter in the name of the State.

The Governor has offered a reward of $300 for Jim Payne, who brutally murdered Mary Anderson in Madison county.

Loge Harriss says Russell looks like the nominee for Governor, Grant is for him said the wily Loge. "What makes you think Russell is the man," queried a reporter? "Well, a Republican is certainly going to be nominated and Russell is the strongest candidate."

Loge Harriss and Col. Shaffer have a mutual hatred for each other, I recently quoted Loge Harriss among other Republicans on a certain matter to Col. Shaffer. His only reply was "the idea of quoting Loge as a Republican."

There continues a good deal of talk relative to the organization of a base ball league. A league can be organized if good business men would get behind the move. Persons who know say that 100 subscriptions of $10 in each city would place the organization on a good footing. With proper salary and players limitations, the league could be made a great success.

If each of the cities or towns desiring admittance in the league will get $1.000 in stock insured as above stated and appoint a representative for a general meeting at some central point, we may have a base ball league next summer to break the monotony. Interest is ripe and talent is plentiful.

Mrs. F. A. Olds, one of the sponsors of the *Raleigh* cruiser fund, has forwarded Mr. Chas. L. Stevens a check for $36, being the amount collected by the ladies. This makes $100 in all given by Raleigh.

Editor Bailey of the *Biblical Recorder*, gets out an issue this week as usual. This is the first instance in the history of the *Recorder*, which is now sixty years old, that an issue has appeared Christmas week.

Master James Royall, a son of Prof. W. B. Royall, Wake Forest College, was dangerously injured last week. While playing on the foot ball grounds at the college with some other children the posts fell, striking him on the head. His condition is critical.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Governor Carr appointed Will Dortch, of Goldsboro, aide-de-camp on his staff with rank as colonel.

Supreme Court adjourned this afternoon for the Christmas vacation.

KNOWLEDGE

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Its excellence is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative; effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers and permanently curing constipation. It has given satisfaction to millions and met with the approval of the medical profession, because it acts on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels without weakening them and it is perfectly free from every objectionable substance.

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Butter, Butter.

25 small tubs Butter.
50 bags Water Ground Meal.
150 barrels Mullets.
35 boxes Mixed Nuts.
25 bags C. C. Nuts.
100 boxes and tubs Candy.
25 barrels Ginger Cakes.
140 boxes Crackers.
200 boxes Smoked Herrings.
75 boxes Cheese.

At D. L. GORE'S.

dec 17 tf

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You can get five beautiful Cabinet Photographs for $1.00, corner Fourth and Market streets. C. H. Pease. dec 24 2t*

The French Cafe, as a novelty, will have special bowls of "Eggnog" and Tom and Jerry and all the latest Christmas and holiday drinks. Special drinks this evening for everybody. dec 24 tf

Removal—From and after this date I will have my residence at the Purcell House. J. F. Woolvin Undertaker and Embalmer. dec 23 1m

Don'ts go to the high priced stores for your Christmas Candies. I will sell you fine fresh Candy at 20c pound. Also, Fruits, Nuts, Raisins, Cigars, Peanut Taffy 10 cents per pound, Chewing Gum Taffy 15 cts per pound, &c., for the holidays. I guarantee all I sell. Best goods at lowest prices Andrew Mavronicles, Manufacturer, 705 North Fourth street. dec 7 1m su we

Chickens—Two hundred just received. A lot of nice Pork Hogs at 5 cents per pound delivered anywhere in the city. Also a few dressed Geese, live Turkeys, Eggs, etc., at lowest prices. Neill-McKinson, Wholesale and Retail Grocer, No. 3 South Water street. c31

"Welcome Week" will not come this year, but our extra fine Bananas in abundance, and a full line of fine large red Apples from the West, also, 150 crates of selected N. C. Mountain Apples, mixed Nuts, Raisins, Dates, &c., are already here for our Christmas trade. A. S. Winstead & Co., Wholesale Fruit and Produce Commission Merchants. dec 13 D&W tf

Christmas Groceries—Just received one of the best assortments of Christmas and Holiday Groceries in the city, which I can sell at Low Prices. Courteous clerks and drivers will wait on you at any hour in the day. Give me a call, and satisfaction is guaranteed. Chas. D. Jacobs, North Front street, near Mulberry. dec 10 tf

Christmas Photographs—Everybody please come and see my new display of Photographs. They are up to date in every respect. New scenery arrived. U. C. Ellis, 114 Market street. dec 8 tf

The public is invited to inspect the windows of Mr. A. P. Levy, proprietor of the French Cafe, as he has prepared a Thanksgiving Novelty and Treat. All customers are invited to call in and see his display, at 115 Princess street, Wilmington, N. C. nov 26 tf

Telephone 161. For best quality of Wood and Coal delivered any where in the city call up Telephone 161. John H. Whiteman & Son. nov 7 1m

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If we were ever up we have "come down," if the number of people that crowd our store is an evidence. They have picked up some rare bargains during the past week, and we have put out some extra values this week and we want you to

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In order to give our customers a chance to do some extra shopping we will keep our store

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We have the prettiest line of Dolls ever seen in this city. Few merchants are so fortunate as to find a really pretty line of DOLLS, but chance has favored us and our Dolls have pretty features, and every type of perfect beauty is represented in the line. They are here from 25c to $15.00.

Oriental Wares.

Oat Meal Sets, Dutch Sugar Bowls, Fancy Cake Plates, Butter Plates, Cut Glass Vinegar Bottles, Japanese Cracker Jars, Tea Caddies, Rose Jars, Flower Vases, Tooth Pick Holders, Wedge-wood Pitchers and other articles in endless variety.

Handkerchiefs.

We have always sold an immense number of Handkerchiefs during the holidays. We are prepared this season for larger sales. We have imported real Lace Handkerchiefs, also Embroidered, Linen and Silk in initial and plain, 5c to $3.50 each.

Chenille and Damask Table Covers 75c to $5.00.

LINENS—Table Damask, Doylies, Napkins, Towels and

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Novelty Dress Goods,

Black Dress Goods.

Kid Gloves.

We call special attention to our line of KID GLOVES. We carry the very best makes and guarantee a perfect fit when fitted at our counters.

Ladies' and Gents' Hosiery.

Blankets, Comforts and Underwear.

Sale of Carpet Remnants.

The public cordially invited to visit our establishment during the evening.

A. D. BROWN,

Successor to BROWN & RODDICK

No. 29 North Front St.

dec 15 tf

TOYS! TOYS!

We have Dolls, Pianos, Bureaus, Tool Chests, Chairs, Carts, Pistols, Tin Toys, Drums, and lots of other Toys for Santa Claus. Christmas comes but once a year, and old Santa Claus makes the Racket Store his headquarters. He says they are headquarters for all classes of goods. Ladies' Capes, Kid Gloves, fine Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, fine Trimmed Hats and Caps for all the family. Underwear and Hosiery of all kinds. The finest Air Gun in the State at 98c each. Ladies' and Gentlemen's Neckwear. Lace Curtains, Chenille Portiees, Poles and Trimmings. Carpets for Santa Claus presents. A handsome new Trunk, a Grip Bag, a Body Rug, a Chenille Table Cover, a fine Waterproof Gossamer, a gentleman's fine Mackintosh Coat, a Suit of Clothes for the boy, young man and old gentleman. A fine Beaver Overcoat at $5.50. Boys' Overcoats at $1.50 up to 5.50. A fine pair Sunday Pants for a young man. A fine Double-barrelled Shot-gun for the old gentleman at $8.98—London Twist Breech-loader. Remember we are headquarters for the Wilson Heaters. They are the best and most economical Stoves that have ever been made. They are Cheap. Price—No. 8¾, small size at $4 00; No. 8, large size at $6 00; No. 2, special, at $6 50. These are Stoves that need no recommedation, they sell themselves. You know where to find us, at 113 North Front street, opposite the Orton House.

Braddy & Gaylord, Prop.

Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

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Cutlery, Guns, Pistols, Powder, Shot, Caps, Loaded and Unloaded Shells, &c.

BEST GOODS AT THE LOWEST PRICES. Call and examine our immense stock.

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Old Stand of Giles & Murchison, Orton Building, Wilmington, N. C.

dec 30 tf

It Is Strange

How Easily Some People are Fooled Out of Their Hard Earned Money.

We don't think it right to advertise that we are going to sell you goods at a reduced price for cash and then not do it. During the past week this has been our experience. Customers have come in and bought of us and then tell us that we are selling cheaper than some of those *great big establishments* who claim to sell *cheap for cash*, but don't practice what they preach. Trade is coming our way and we are striving to take care of it. Don't fail to look at our

China Tables

AND OUR SHOW CASES FULL OF THINGS SUITABLE FOR

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Remember bargains in

Oil, Coal and Wood Heaters,

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Alderman Hardware Co,

29 South Front Street.

dec 15 tf

SPECIAL BARGAINS

For the Holidays.

180 pair Ladies' Pat. Leather Tip Button Boots, C. D. and E. Last, at $1.25, worth $1.75.

60 pair Gents' Tan Slippers $1.00.

120 pair Gents' Tan Toilet Slippers at $1.30, worth $1.75.

72 pair Patent Leather Oxfords at $1.00.

60 pair Ladies' Velvet Slippers at $1.25.

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Commissioner's Sale.

IN PURSUANCE of a decree of forclosure at September Term, 1895, of the Superior Court of New Hanover county, in an action therein pending, where in John L. Wescott is plaintiff, and W. B McKoy and R. H McKoy are defendants, the undersigned, Commissioner appointed by said decree will sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, on Monday, the 30th day of January, A. D., 1896, at 12 o'clock m, the following two parcels of land in the said city of Wilmington: 1st Tract—Beginning at a point on the north side of Market street, between Front and Second streets, bounded westwardly by a lot formerly the property of Jean DuBois, eastwardly by a lot formerly the property of Jacob Trout, northwardly by Toomer's Alley, and southwardly by said Market street, measuring 30 feet front on Market street, and running back 182 feet to Toomer's Alley, and part calarly described in a deed from Nathaniel Hill to James Owen, recorded in Book "X," page 370 of the Records of New Hanover county.

2nd Tract—Beginning at the northwest intersection of Market and Front streets, running thence northwardly, with the line of Front street, 49 feet, to Augustus Lesman's line, thence westwardly 15 feet, to the line of William A. Wright and Thomas H. Wright, thence southwardly 49 feet to Market street, and thence eastwardly to the beginning.

E. K. BRYAN,

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